## Testimony to the House Environment and Transportation Committee HB 44 - Clean Cars Act of 2021

**Position: Favorable** 

January 26, 2021

The Honorable Kumar Barve, Chair Room 251, House Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

Honorable Chair Barve and Members of the House Environment and Transportation Committee:

As the number of Electric Vehicles on Maryland roads is only just beginning to surge, the incentive to purchase EVSE equipment is more important now than ever. We need more EV owners to be able to purchase this equipment along with their vehicles so that there will be adequate charging infrastructure to meet the demand.

When I purchased my all electric car in 2014, I was encouraged to do so with the knowledge that this EVSE rebate program existed. My parents installed an EVSE at their home in Glenwood and took advantage of this great incentive to help me out when I was not allowed to install a charger in my condominium in Bethesda. When my condominium HOA finally agreed to allow me to install an EVSE, when I applied for the rebate, the funds for the year were already depleted. I believe an extension of this excellent program will be invaluable in facilitating the expansion of EVSE infrastructure and taking some of the financial burden off of the Maryland residents willing to move the state forward on sustainable transportation.

Thank you for your consideration,

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