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March 11, 2021

Bill Miranda
Mayor

The Honorable Henry Stern
California State Senate, District 27
State Capitol Building, Room 5080
Sacramento, CA 95814

Laurene Weste
Mayor Pro Tem

SUBJECT: SB 533 (STERN): SUPPORT

Dear Senator Stern:

Jason Gibbs
Councilmember

On behalf of the Santa Clarita City Council, I am pleased to express our support for Senate Bill 533, relating to requiring electrical service providers to replace, harden, or underground any electrical infrastructure that experiences recurring de-energization events.

Marsha McLean
Councilmember

Our community has experienced several public safety power shutoff (PSPS) events, at times impacting over 25,000 businesses and households for periods of over 24 consecutive hours of power loss. On two occasions, December 23, 2020, and December 24, 2020, the City experienced major PSPS events that left thousands of residents without power and many with damaged devices or forced to discard perishable food items during a major holiday week.

Cameron Smyth
Councilmember

This critical piece of legislation is thoughtfully designed and will accelerate the development and implementation of enhanced electrical utility infrastructure in areas that have been most impacted by de-energization events.

For these reasons, the City of Santa Clarita supports Senate Bill 533. Should you or your staff require any further information regarding our position on this bill, please feel free to contact Intergovernmental



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Sincerely,



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Mayor

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