



City of Phoenix

August 1, 2022

The Honorable Kyrsten Sinema
The Honorable Mark Kelly
The Honorable Greg Stanton
The Honorable Tom O'Halleran

The Honorable Ann Kirkpatrick
The Honorable Raul Grijalva
The Honorable Paul Gosar
The Honorable Andy Biggs

The Honorable David Schweikert
The Honorable Ruben Gallego
The Honorable Debbie Lesko

Dear Members of Arizona's Congressional Delegation,

As mayors, elected officials, business leaders and organizations that represent cities and businesses across Arizona, we feel it is critically important that we ask you to vote in favor of the reconciliation and climate investment package. We strongly believe that this legislation, now titled as the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022, will create jobs, support families and communities, and build upon our existing state-wide climate action efforts.

This legislation would deliver transformational support for our cities:

Tempe: Deeper investment in resilient energy hubs (community centers supporting vulnerable populations with reliable cooling, solar and battery storage), city-wide electric vehicles and public transit infrastructure, and energy equity for all, particularly for disadvantaged populations.

Phoenix: Deliver cost savings and bolster resilience to extreme heat and drought through water and energy efficiency improvements. Support local manufacturing in the electric vehicle and clean tech industries.

Scottsdale: Protects our Sonoran Desert lifestyle, will create jobs, and ensure safe and reliable water for future.

Flagstaff: Support for wildfire reduction, post - fire flooding, decarbonization with an emphasis on Flagstaff's most vulnerable populations, and carbon sequestration technologies.

Mesa: Deeper investment in electric vehicles and clean energy.

Tucson: Support for city-wide electric vehicle and public transit infrastructure, clean energy (solar and battery storage), environmental justice initiatives, sustainable agriculture, and heat resilience projects in frontline and vulnerable communities.

Fountain Hills: With residents and visitors enjoying our outdoor life, spectacular views and unique trails, it is important that air quality is healthy and the natural desert surroundings are protected from wildfire as much as possible.

Bisbee: Support rural communities against wildfires with clean energy investments while lowering inflation, especially in health care for our most vulnerable residents. Promote electric vehicles in lower population densities.

Sedona: Will assist the City of Sedona with the implementation of our Council-adopted Climate Action Plan and help sustain our community's striking landscape, small-town charm and high quality of life.

The upcoming vote ***is critical*** for the residents, businesses, and industries that we represent, and those that we are diligently working with, to implement key climate action strategies across the state. The work is vitally important and truly significant for many generations of Arizonans.

Arizona needs the passage of this legislation for continued economic vitality in our state, it is our sincere hope that you will vote in favor of this Act.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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