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Mr. Krause and Ms. Farr  
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**RE: Support for Proposed Amended Rules 1111 and 1121**

Dear Mr. Krause and Ms. Farr:

On behalf of California Safe Schools, we write to support South Coast AQMD's efforts to clean up appliance pollution through amending Rules 1111 and 1121. This proposed regulatory package will achieve more emissions reductions than any other effort passed in over three decades. The effort is also consistent with the 2022 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP), which determined that "the only way to achieve the required NO<sub>x</sub> reductions is through extensive use of zero emission technologies across all stationary and mobile sources."<sup>1</sup>

Given the serious pollution in this region, the health gains from advancing zero-emissions are desperately needed for millions of people. We are deeply concerned that the proposal is getting weakened through delaying compliance deadlines and many loopholes. We encourage staff to reject these efforts to reduce the efficacy of the rule. It is vital that these rules go to the Governing Board in a strong form and be adopted in February.

We remain pleased to see the South Coast AQMD's Go Zero program take form. These incentives will be really helpful in hastening the transition away from combustion in our buildings. It is our understanding that the South Coast AQMD's Executive Officer has committed to a 5-fold increase in the \$21 million allocated to this program. It is vital the Board endorse this commitment via resolution to ensure \$100 million goes towards these incentives.

<sup>1</sup> South Coast AQMD, 2022 AQMP, at Executive Summary.

We appreciate AQMD staff's significant work on these proposed amendments to Rules 1111 and 1121. Wrapping up this rulemaking process as soon as possible is vital, so we can work on the important aspects of actually transitioning away from combustion in our homes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robina Suwol Executive Director". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underlining the name.

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