

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

October 12, 2021

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker
U.S. House of Representatives
H-232, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Speaker Pelosi:

We write in support of hundreds of thousands of United Auto Workers (UAW) members and retirees as well as a diverse group of motor vehicle manufacturers and suppliers who support President Biden's Build Back Better plan for a clean transportation future. We urge you to ensure that the electric vehicle (EV) tax credit language that was passed by the Ways and Means Committee remains as-is when the *Build Back Better Act* is considered on the House floor.

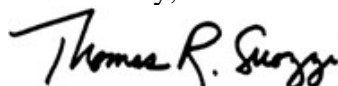
The Ways and Means Committee's proposal includes a \$4,500 incentive for union-built EVs that will ensure workers have a seat at the table and will create good paying jobs and safe working conditions. According to the Economic Policy Institute, unionized workers earn on average 11.2% more than their non-union counterparts.¹ Union workers are also more likely to have paid sick days and health insurance than non-union workers. Furthermore, all foreign-owned automotive manufacturers employ union workforces in their home countries, but those same companies consistently choose to invest in right-to-work states that are hostile to collective bargaining agreements. Under the Ways and Means Committee's legislation, all vehicles – including imports – would be eligible for a \$7,500 consumer tax credit through 2026. We strongly support leveling the playing field between non-union and unionized workforces by including the added \$4,500 incentive to support union-made EVs.

President Biden's Build Back Better plan calls for incentives to dramatically increase the number of EVs on American roads and the global market is rapidly moving to net-zero carbon transportation. America has the opportunity to take the lead on this transformation by adopting policies that make EVs more affordable and accessible to consumers. The Ways and Means Committee's legislation supports the President's goal of reducing emissions by 50-52% by 2030 and improves labor standards at the same time.

The *Build Back Better Act's* credit for EVs demonstrates America's leadership in the global EV market by accelerating innovation and manufacturing in the U.S., bolstering the sector's domestic supply chain, and creating jobs with good pay and benefits. We urge you to ensure that the credit remains as-is when the bill moves to the House floor.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



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¹ Economic Policy Institute, *Why unions are good for workers—especially in a crisis like COVID-19, 2020.*

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