Resolution Endorsing the Coalition to Vote NO on Washington Initiative 2117

Whereas the Climate Commitment Act is part of an effort to cap and reduce greenhouse gas emissions from Washington's largest emitting sources and industries and allowing businesses to find the most efficient path to lower carbon emissions, along with other critical climate policies to help Washington reduce its greenhouse gas emissions by 95% by 2050 (citation Washington State Dept. of Ecology), and

Whereas the Coalition to Vote No on Washington I-2117 says passage of I-2117 will prevent Washington from achieving our climate goals and reducing our impact on the environment; and

Whereas I-2117 will reduce funding and harm Washington taxpayers and communities in every county, affecting air quality, transportation and transit service, fish habitat, and prevention of wildfires; and

Whereas, passing I-2117 will cut programs that:

- Lower energy costs for Washingtonians
- Decrease toxic air pollution that endangers our families and communities
- Reduce traffic by increasing public transit
- Prepare for sea level rise
- Invest in fish habitat especially salmon, and
- Support adoption of sustainable practices for growers and ranchers

Whereas, the "No on 2117 Coalition" includes more than 100 Washington organizations, including leading companies and small businesses, environmental leaders, Tribal nations, labor unions, faith groups, transportation advocates, Democratic organizations, and other community organizations,

Therefore, be it Resolved, that First Legislative District Democrats endorse the Coalition to Vote NO on Washington Initiative Measure No. 2117, and be it further

Resolved, that First Legislative District Democrats urges Washington voters to vote "NO" on Washington Initiative Measure No. 2117.

Source: https://no2117.com/ and Washington State Department of Ecology https://ecology.wa.gov/Air-Climate/Climate-Commitment-Act

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