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As a "Californian by Choice" who has lived here since 1973 I support our State's efforts to lead the fight against catastrophic climate change. During the last 18 months I have been among those who successfully lobbied for Reach Codes in several cities in Santa Clara County. But local codes are not enough.

If you compare the trajectory of GHG emissions in California over the last 15 years with what we must achieve over the next 10 to 30 years the difference is stark. Clearly, we must do absolutely everything possible to cut emissions.

The time is NOW to make sure our next state-wide building code calls for all-electric buildings with virtually no exceptions.

Many California residents don't understand the seriousness of the climate crisis, but you Commissioners and your staff certainly do. Therefore, you must lead, even though many stakeholders will be reluctant to follow.

In closing, I will share this thought: when it comes to fighting climate change, winning slowly is losing. We must begin decarbonizing at warp speed.

Cheers,
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