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*Tony Kranz*  
Mayor

The Honorable Dave Min  
California State Senator, District 37  
10<sup>th</sup> and O St Offices, Ste 6710  
Sacramento, CA 95814

### **Re: SB 381 (Min) Electric Bicycles: Study City of Encinitas: Letter of Support**

*Joy Lyndes*  
Deputy Mayor

Dear Senator Min,

On behalf of the City of Encinitas, I write in support of SB 381, which would direct the Mineta Transportation Institute at San Jose State University to conduct a study on electric bicycles to inform efforts to improve the safety of riders and pedestrians. Specifically, this bill will look to guide research of key causes of injuries and fatalities from electric bicycle usage using data collected from various sources.

*Allison Blackwell*  
Council Member

The City of Encinitas is a coastal community in Southern California of about 62,000. Micro mobility modes of transportation such as skateboards, bicycles, and electric bicycles are popular in the City as part of the City's coveted beach lifestyle. As such, the City has seen a drastic uptick in pedestrian and bicycle involved injuries largely due to the proliferation of electric bicycles. While the City supports new modes of transportation that reduce traffic congestion, improve vehicular flow, and improve air quality, public safety and quality of life measures need consideration. The first step toward addressing these concerns in a thoughtful way that maintains and encourages safe forms of transportation involves data collection and analysis. SB 381 will provide the missing link to inform common sense public safety measures to protect residents and promote clean transportation.

*Bruce Ehlers*  
Council Member

For the above reasons, the City of Encinitas supports SB 381.

*Kellie Shay Hinze*  
Council Member

Sincerely,

*Pamela Antil*  
City Manager

Tony Kranz  
Mayor

cc: Senator Catherine Blakespear  
Assembly Member Tasha Boerner-Horvath