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Berkeley Passes Resolution in Support of the Buy Clean California Act

BERKELEY—The Berkeley City Council passed at its Tuesday meeting a resolution supporting the timely implementation of the Buy Clean California Act. The resolution reaffirmed Berkeley's commitment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from building materials.

California passed the Buy Clean California Act (AB 262) in 2017. It requires state agencies to purchase construction materials such as structural steel, carbon steel rebar, flat glass and mineral wool board insulation from manufacturers that are among the least climate polluting producers of those products.

The Buy Clean Act, is undergoing implementation at the California Department of General Services. It helps ensure that public funds are spent in a way that supports businesses that are effectively cleaning up their production practices.

In response, Molly Culton, Conservation Organizer for Sierra Club California, issued the following statement:

"Berkeley is the third city to publicly support the Buy Clean California Act, a measure that promotes low-carbon infrastructure development. This resolution demonstrates Berkeley's leadership in climate action.

"The Buy Clean Act will help California spend funds in ways that support environmental goals and help close the carbon loophole."

For more information on Sierra Club California's Buy Clean Campaign, please visit: https://www.sierraclub.org/california/why-buy-clean.