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As an EV owner, and as a grandmother who fears for my children and grandchildren in an increasingly warming world, I want to see more EVs on the road, and I especially want to see more charging stations. The fossil fuels being emitted by combustion engines on our roads is playing a huge role in increasing the greenhouse gases that are warming our planet. We don't have a planet B!

It is also imperative that we accelerate the electrification of the biggest and most polluting trucks on our roads.

Also, as an EV owner, I feel I should be helping to pay for the cost of road maintenance. I agree with a road maintenance tax for EV owners. While an additional tax might make it more difficult for lower income folks to afford an EV, the tax would still cost less than the fuel, oil changes, and service costs of a combustion engine car. People forget that EV owners don't pay for gas, oil, or routine services. The only routine expense is tires.

Therefore, I am asking you to support increased funding for electrification programs to increase access to charging and lower barriers to decarbonization.

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