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June 27, 2025

The Honorable Dave Cortese
Chair, Senate Transportation Committee
1021 O Street, Room 1200
Sacramento, CA 94249

SUBJECT: AB 875 (Muratsuchi) Vehicle Removal.
Notice of Support *(As Amended June 25, 2025)*

Dear Senator Cortese,

The City of Laguna Niguel is pleased to support AB 875 by Assembly Member Muratsuchi. As electric bikes have grown in popularity, so have accidents and injuries, with many of the offenders operating out-of-class electric bikes that reach dangerous speeds in excess of 20 mph.

AB 875 authorizes a peace officer to remove a vehicle that (1) has fewer than four wheels, but that does not meet the definition of an electric bicycle, if that vehicle is powered by an electric motor capable of exclusively propelling the vehicle in excess of 20 miles per hour on a highway and is being operated by an operator without a current license to operate the vehicle, or (2) is a class 3 electric bicycle being operated by a person under 16 years of age.

In addition, AB 875 authorizes a local jurisdiction to adopt a regulation, ordinance, or resolution imposing charges equal to its administrative costs relating to the removal, seizure, and storage costs of the vehicle. The bill would authorize an agency to require, as a condition of release, proof that a violator under the age of 16 has completed an electric bicycle safety and training program.

AB 875 is a commonsense approach to improve public safety for the growing problem impacting cities across the state. For these reasons, the City of Laguna Niguel strongly supports AB 875 (Muratsuchi) and encourages members of the Senate Transportation Committee to vote in support. Should you have any questions about our position, please contact Kevin O'Connor, Assistant to the City Manager, at koconnor@cityoflagunaniguel.org.

Sincerely,

Ray Gennawey
Mayor

Cc: Senate Transportation Committee
Assembly Member Muratsuchi, 66th Assembly District
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