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Dear Senator:

On behalf of the American Lung Association, I write in support of the Clean Air Act and the implementation of the law by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The American Lung Association urges the Senate to reject Senator Lisa Murkowski's Resolution of Disapproval (S.J. Res 26).

The resolution would block the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Supreme Court-directed endangerment finding that is required under Clean Air Act. EPA made this endangerment finding after a careful review of science and an extensive public comment process.

Specifically EPA concluded:

*Pursuant to CAA section 202(a), the Administrator finds that greenhouse gases in the atmosphere may reasonably be anticipated both to **endanger public health** and to **endanger public welfare**. (emphasis added)*

**The Senate must not vote to ignore the scientific evidence and reject its clear conclusions. The Clean Air Act mandates that the Environmental Protection Agency follow the science and then implement the law accordingly. The Resolution of Disapproval is a cynical attempt to disregard the science and block the enforcement of the Clean Air Act.**

Since its passage in 1970, the Clean Air Act has been the nation's premier public health and environmental protection statute. The Clean Air Act is predicated on the protection of public health. Its implementation is grounded in sound science. The American Lung Association is a staunch supporter of this public health statute because of the enormous impact that air pollution has on public health and the tremendous improvements in the nation's air quality that have resulted from this law.

The protection of public health is critically important. EPA has found that climate change will make attainment and maintenance of national ambient air quality standards more difficult as well as more frequent and more intense heat waves and other events that adversely impact respiratory health. The American Lung Association urges the Senate to support the Clean Air Act and reject S.J. Res 26.

Sincerely,

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