

## California Wind Energy Association

April 8, 2022

The Honorable Anthony Portantino Chair, Senate Appropriations Committee 1021 O Street, Ste. 7630 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 833 (Dodd, Stern): Community Energy Resilience Act of 2022 - SUPPORT

Dear Chair Portantino:

The California Wind Energy Association (CalWEA) wishes to express its support for SB 833 (as amended 3/21/22), which would require the California Energy Commission (CEC) to develop, implement, and fund a grant program for local governments to develop community energy resilience plans supported by clean, renewable energy. These plans will help local governments plan, and obtain funding for, community resilience centers to mitigate the public health impacts of extreme heat and other emergency situations exacerbated by climate change, such as wildfire, power outages, or flooding, on local populations. Distributed wind energy systems could help support these plans where communities have strong wind resources available.

CalWEA is a 22-year-old trade association. Our wind energy industry members are focused on developing wind energy resources within and directly interconnected to California and off the coast of California, as well as capturing the related economic and workforce development benefits for California.

CalWEA respectfully requests your support of this bill.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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cc: Senator Bill Dodd Senator Henry Stern

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