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Senator Reuven Carlyle PO Box 40436 Olympia, Washington 98504

Dear Senator Carlyle,

The City of Spokane strongly supports SB 5116 known as the *Washington Clean Energy Transformation Act*. The elimination of coal from our electrical grid and a quick transition to renewable energy is a top priority for Spokane. Our state is poised to become the leader in the transition to clean energy. We have the resources, ingenuity, and leadership to set the example in our country and across the world.

Across the state, communities like Spokane are already taking steps to meet and address the climate crisis that is upon us. In August of 2018 we adopted an ordinance to codify our commitment to 100% renewable energy by 2030. Our ordinance was drafted with the support of our local energy utility. The Spokane City Council also created a permanent public committee charged with crafting the policies and projects necessary to achieve our energy goals. We believe this model of commitment and action to renewable energy can and should be replicated statewide.

Together we can make 2019 the year Washington State becomes the national and international leader in building the strong, clean energy economy we need and deserve. You have our support in Spokane.

Sincerely,

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