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June 30, 2025

Senator Dave Cortese
Chair, Senate Transportation Committee
State Capitol, Room 405
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Assembly Bill 875 - SUPPORT

Dear Senator Cortese,

The California Contract Cities Association (CCCA) writes to express our support of AB 875 (Muratsuchi), which authorizes a peace officer to seize and impound out-of-class electric bicycles ("e-bikes") and allows local governments to impose charges to cover related costs.

By clarifying and strengthening existing laws regarding e-bikes, AB 875 will increase public safety across communities in California. E-bikes have become a popular mode of transportation across cities, especially coastal cities. As a result, the Vehicle Code needs to be updated in a way that considers the increased usage of various classes of e-bikes, including out-of-class e-bikes that are powerful and can reach very high speeds. AB 875 provides such updates to the law and empowers cities to effectively remove or seize illegal e-bikes. CCCA applauds Assemblymember Muratsuchi for his authorship of this bill and appreciates his focus on this critical issue.

CCCA represents 80 cities throughout California. For more than 65 years, CCCA's mission has been to advance the benefits of the contracting model and strengthen local control. With collaborative governance as a focal point, CCCA has advanced its mission through education, advocacy, networking, and legislative access to protect and enhance the quality of life for more than 7.5 million residents. As a matter of policy, our organization supports and defends the rights of cities on policy issues pertinent to them. We thank you in advance for your consideration of our support for AB 875.

Yours in service,

Marcel Rodarte, Executive Director

CC: Members of the Senate Transportation Committee