



215 Ravenscliff Rd.
St. Davids, PA 19087
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Dear Environmental Quality Board,

I am a mother of a 21 and 24 year old, aunt to 11 nieces and nephews and, I hope, friend to countless other young people. I am concerned for their future and the future of the planet we all share. I heartily support the Pennsylvania Clean Vehicles Program.

Last week I asked some friends, acquaintances and strangers to sign a petition in support of the Clean Vehicles Program. Six people chose to write letters and 27 people signed the petition. Some were disappointed that they could not attend the public comment meeting due to work schedules. The degree of enthusiastic support gave me reason to be optimistic.

I purposely chose speaking to a diverse group of people rather than largest number possible. This group is varied in education and background. I know there are multiple Republicans, Democrats and Independents, Catholic, Protestant, Jewish and one Buddhist. There is a wide difference in income/wealth and lifestyle. What is their common denominator? They all need to breathe air to live. They all WANT clean air to keep their bodies healthy and the planet healthy as well.

We cannot rely on this federal government to protect us on environmental issues. Indeed, the policies of the Bush Administration are fueling the flames of global warming and poor air quality. We ask the Pennsylvania State government to take immediate action to implement the Clean Vehicles Program.

Sincerely,
Erika Martin