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StopWaste is  
the Alameda  
County Waste  
Management  
Authority, the  
Alameda County  
Source Reduction  
and Recycling  
Board, and the  
Energy Council  
operating as one  
public agency.

Mayor and City Council  
City of Hayward  
777 B Street  
Hayward, CA 94541

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

I write in support of your adoption of new greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals in the City of Hayward 2040 General Plan. Setting strong reduction targets sends an important signal to the community and city departments that you are taking the reduction of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gas emissions seriously and plan to transform local energy systems.

Our staff have supported Alameda County jurisdictions with greenhouse gas reduction planning since 2008 and the proposed targets in the staff report align with the most rigorous targets being set by local jurisdictions to date. They reflect the latest scientific guidance.

Achieving these targets will require systemic transformations in how we meet community energy and resource needs. We are committed to supporting implementation towards these targets, specifically as they relate to our Energy Council activities and the greenhouse gas emissions reductions we can collectively achieve through responsible materials management.

We applaud your continued leadership in addressing the climate crisis through clean energy and resource conservation.

Sincerely,

Wendy Sommer, Executive Director

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