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Senator Shannon Grove
1021 O Street, Room 7150
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Grove:

Homestead Valley Community Council writes in support of your legislation, SB 1156. This important bill will repeal the annual inflation adjustment in California's per gallon motor vehicle fuel and diesel fuel excise tax.

The average price of gasoline in California has jumped to record high levels as a result of rising inflation and growing international conflicts. While it is nothing new for Californians to pay the highest gas prices in the nation, coming on the heels of the pandemic, working families simply cannot continue to support the level of taxation imposed by the California government. Hard-working Californians should not have to choose between filling up their tank to get to work or buying groceries to feed their families.

It makes no sense to continue to allow the gas tax to rise unchecked. Without action to address this problem it is estimated that inflation will add a minimum of 5.6% to the gas tax next year. However with inflation at a 40 year high, the increase could be even higher in future years. Californians have had enough and need relief at the pump now. This and the above stated issues illustrate the need for this bill.

For all of the reasons stated above, Homestead Valley Community Council supports SB 1156.

Sincerely,



Jim Harvey
President, Homestead Valley Community Council
On behalf of HVCC