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Encouraging the Use of CNG Fuel Vehicles in Colorado

WHEREAS the United States seeks to reduce dependence on foreign oil (up to 70% of petroleum used today) and fuel for transportation (gasoline and diesel) comprises over 60% of oil used today

WHEREAS nearly 98% of natural gas used in the United States is produced in North America (85% in the United States and the balance in Canada)

WHEREAS recent assessments and the increase in production of natural gas from shale deposits show that the United States has over 120 years of natural gas resources while petroleum resources are waning

WHEREAS natural gas fuel for transportation is inherently low-carbon and significantly cleaner than gasoline or diesel in terms of air emissions

WHEREAS natural gas fuel for transportation costs less than gasoline or diesel, helping provide alternatives for consumers at the pump

WHEREAS replacing heavy-duty vehicles, particularly for transit, refuse collection and trucking (goods movement) makes special sense in terms of reducing air emissions and building economies of scale.

WHEREAS CNG conversion will help the economy of Western Colorado by providing a new end use for locally-produced natural gas

WHEREAS Western Colorado is a significant missing link of public CNG fueling stations, making a regional lack of infrastructure an issue of national significance

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CLUB 20 urges Colorado’s elected officials to develop policy that encourages CNG as an available transportation fuel, widely available to consumers, and to assist in closing the infrastructure gap currently limited to Western Colorado, which prohibits cross-country travel by CNG vehicles, due to the lack of public filling stations.

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