



MAYOR ROBERT GARCIA CITY OF LONG BEACH

April 23, 2018

The Honorable Susan Talamantes-Eggman
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 4117
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support for Assembly Bill 2110 (Eggman): Electronics: Right to Repair Act

Dear Assemblymember Eggman:

On behalf of the City of Long Beach, I write to support AB 2110 (Eggman). This bill proposes to enact the Right to Repair Act, which would require the original manufacturer of electronic equipment and parts to provide diagnostic and repair information to independent repair providers for the purpose of creating a fair marketplace for the repair of electronic equipment. This bill would apply to all equipment that is no longer manufactured for up to five years after the date in which the manufacturer ceases to produce the equipment.

The City of Long Beach is working on a Zero-to-Near-Zero Waste Plan, which focuses on helping residents, visitors, schools, and businesses reduce, reuse, and recycle materials that would otherwise be disposed of as waste. This plan encapsulates a number of existing City services and evaluates the potential for new ones to further reduce waste below 3.9 pounds of waste per person, as it was last estimated in 2016.

With respect to electronic waste (e-waste), the City currently offers opportunities to responsibly dispose of these materials or donate usable equipment to local non-profit organizations through the Long Beach Exchange Program. However, since manufacturers are best positioned to support repair, AB 2110 makes sense. This bill has the potential to help reduce e-waste by facilitating the repair of electronic items at a fair market price. Long Beach appreciates that this bill proposes to proactively address e-waste management.

Given these reasons, the City of Long Beach supports AB 2110 (Eggman).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robert Garcia".

Mayor Robert Garcia
City of Long Beach

cc: The Honorable Speaker Anthony Rendon, State Assembly
The Honorable Steven Bradford, State Senate, 35th District
The Honorable Ricardo Lara, State Senate, 33rd District
The Honorable Janet Nguyen, State Senate, 34th District
The Honorable Mike Gipson, State Assembly, 64th District
The Honorable Patrick O'Donnell, State Assembly, 70th District
Assembly Committee on Privacy and Consumer Protection