CONGRESSMAN LIEU ANNOUNCES CLIMATE SOLUTIONS ACT

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WASHINGTON, DC – Congressman Ted W. Lieu (D-Los Angeles) has introduced the *Climate Solutions Act.* Congressman Lieu, co-author of California's landmark *Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006*, ran for Congress to help tackle climate change. Today, he introduces a bold, progressive plan to cut carbon pollution and invest in America's green energy industry.

"Rising sea levels, extreme weather events, and an increasingly hotter climate prove that climate change is an existential threat to humankind," **said Congressman Lieu**. "That's why, to commemorate Earth Day, I have introduced the Climate Solutions Act. The Act tackles climate change by focusing on three areas: slashing carbon pollution, implementing bold renewable portfolio standards, and setting landmark energy efficiency standards. History books will one day say that America led the way on addressing climate change and saving our planet – or there will be no history books. We must act on climate now."

STATEMENTS OF SUPPORT FOR CLIMATE SOLUTIONS ACT

"The American people want action to tackle the climate crisis, and it's time Congress listened. That's why the Sierra Club applauds Congressman Lieu for his leadership in tackling climate disruption while growing the American clean energy economy. This bill would be a great step forward that would create jobs while cutting the dangerous carbon pollution that threatens the health of our families and our communities," **said Melinda Pierce, Legislative Director, Sierra Club**.

"Now is the time for all members of Congress and stakeholders to do likewise – describe your approach and your principles for tackling climate change. Then America can do as we always have -- come together and pass legislation that will meet the climate challenge while enhancing American competitiveness, protecting national security, and creating jobs," **said Elizabeth Thompson, president of Environmental Defense Action Fund (EDAF).**

"**The South Bay Clean Power Working Group** commends Representative Ted Lieu for bringing California's Global Warming Solutions Act (AB 32) goals to the entire nation in order to take the immediate and aggressive climate action we so urgently need. Our Community Choice Power initiative is driven by the same need to take climate action now by driving the quickest possible transition from dirty fossil fuels to 100% renewable energy and the more prosperous healthy future a clean energy economy will bring us." "Thank you, Congressmember Lieu for taking action on climate change. By reducing our nation's dependence on fossil fuel, you are protecting the economic and national security interests of the United States," **said Jonathan Parfrey, Executive Director of Climate Resolve**, located in Los Angeles.

A statement of support from Faith2Green can be found here (/sites/lieu.house.gov/files/documents/Faith2Green.pdf).

Click here

(/sites/lieu.house.gov/files/documents/Climate%20Solutions%20Act%20Fact%20Sheet_Ted%20Lieu.pdf) for a fact sheet on the Climate Solutions Act.

The full text of the bill can be found here

(/sites/lieu.house.gov/files/documents/Climate%20Solutions%20Act%20of%202015%20Final.pdf).

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