



STATE OF ARKANSAS
ASA HUTCHINSON
GOVERNOR

October 15, 2021

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker
U.S. House of Representatives
1236 Longworth H.O.B.
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Speaker Pelosi,

As a governor representing a state home to world class automobile manufacturing and distribution, I write to support the automakers who have invested billions of dollars and employ thousands of American workers. The employees of these automakers proudly build and distribute cutting edge vehicles that have been a source of significant economic activity for Arkansas – which often results in ancillary businesses and automotive suppliers also investing in the state and employing even more Americans.

I am deeply concerned that Congress is considering legislation that discriminates against these products and hurts American jobs. Specifically, Congress is considering legislation that will give increased tax credits to electric vehicles built by United States factories where employees have a collective bargaining agreement. The proposal will discriminate against certain autoworkers and car companies in Arkansas simply because the workers in their plants chose not to unionize. It will provide as much as \$4,500 more in tax credits for the purchase of such vehicles.

This is unfair, and it is wrong. While I strongly believe in each worker's right to choose whether to be represented by a union, I cannot support proposals that favor a vehicle produced by one workforce over another.

I want the world class vehicles built and distributed by Americans in Arkansas to be competitive and to succeed. By putting certain vehicles at a competitive cost disadvantage, legislation currently being considered by Congress works against Arkansas, undercuts Arkansans, and hurts the U.S. economy.

Among a few other concerns, I respectfully request that any modifications to electric vehicle consumer tax incentives do not discriminate against hard-working autoworkers, not to

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The Honorable Chuck Schumer
Majority Leader
United States Senate
322 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

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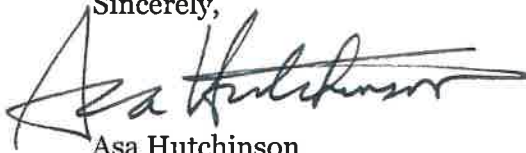
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Minority Leader
U.S. House of Representatives
2468 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

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