

## Communication from Public

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**Council File No:** 25-0002-S44

**Comments for Public Posting:** The Polluters Pay Climate Superfund Act is in the California legislature right now is a whole hearted act of restorative justice for all Angelenos, Californians and the fossil fuel industry itself. An "aye" vote in support of Councilwoman Yaroslavsky's resolution is the ethical thing to do.



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June 17, 2025

Honorable Katy Yaroslavsky  
Los Angeles City Hall  
200 North Spring Street, Room  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Council File 25-0002-S44

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members:

We, the undersigned organizations, are writing in support of Council File 25-0002-S44 (Yaroslavsky), a motion that underscores the importance of Senate Bill 684 and Assembly Bill 1243, The Polluters Pay Climate Superfund. This critical legislation would require that the largest multinational emitters of CO<sub>2</sub>, doing business in California, pay their fair share for the escalating costs of climate-fueled destruction in the Los Angeles region and throughout California.

In the first weeks of 2025, extreme, climate-driven, wildfires ravaged Greater Los Angeles. Whole neighborhoods burned to the ground in Pacific Palisades and nearby Altadena, including homes, faith communities, businesses, schools, and more.

In the LA region, the devastation caused by this disaster alone is estimated to have cost over \$250 billion. The largest fossil fuel companies have made over \$2 trillion in profits since 1990 while passing costs to the public.

Taxpayers and families struggling to rebuild should not be bearing the full cost for the climate damages exacerbated by major polluting fossil fuel, which are making record profits. The costs of climate change combined with the affordability crisis are stretching Californians to a breaking point. Californians have paid enough.

A Climate Superfund ensures that the largest fossil fuel polluters, who have done the most to cause the climate crisis, pay their fair share for the damages their products have inflicted. The resolution outlined in Council File 25-0002-S44 must be passed by the City Council to send a strong message to State legislators that they bring down costs, ensure the resources to respond to climate catastrophes, protect workers from climate threats, build climate resilient neighborhoods, prepare for future climate harms, and accelerate the transition away from fossil fuels.

Sincerely,

The Rev. Daniel Tamm

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