



LEAGUE OF CONSERVATION VOTERS

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United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Re: Oppose Senator Murkowski's Congressional Review Act Resolution (S.J. Res. 26)

Dear Senator:

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The League of Conservation Voters (LCV) works to turn environmental values into national priorities. Each year, LCV publishes the *National Environmental Scorecard*, which details the voting records of members of Congress on environmental legislation. The *Scorecard* is distributed to LCV members, concerned voters nationwide, and the media.

LCV urges you to vote NO on Senator Murkowski's Congressional Review Act resolution, which would block all Clean Air Act limits on global warming pollution. This resolution increases our dependence on oil, overturns sound science, endangers public health, and jeopardizes long-overdue action to hold the biggest polluters accountable for their global warming pollution.

The Murkowski resolution seeks to overturn the Environmental Protection Agency's scientific finding that global warming pollution threatens public health and welfare. That finding was a result of the landmark 2007 Supreme Court decision in *Massachusetts v. EPA*, in which the Court ruled that global warming pollutants are covered by the Clean Air Act.

Senator Murkowski's resolution would wreak havoc on the recently finalized national clean cars standards that are supported by labor, industry, and environmentalists alike. Blocking the new cars standard would increase oil consumption by 450 million barrels of oil, according to the EPA, and cost more than \$33 billion in lost savings for consumers at the pump.

With an oil disaster of almost unimaginable magnitude unfolding in the Gulf of Mexico, Congress should advance the solutions necessary to bring about a clean energy economy. Instead of giving polluters a major pass, the Senate should enact comprehensive clean energy and climate legislation that will create jobs, improve America's energy security, and cut dangerous global warming pollution.

We urge you to protect public health and the environment and support the transition to a clean energy economy by voting NO on the Murkowski resolution. We will strongly consider including this vote in the 2010 Scorecard. If you need more information, please call Tiernan Sittenfeld or Sara Chieffo in my office at (202) 785-8683.

Sincerely,

Gene Karpinski
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