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## MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT A.346A/S.370A

The construction locals noted below support the above-referenced bill, which would mandate that the Office of General Services install and operate a minimum number of electric vehicle ("EV") charging stations in state owned parking garages, open parking lots and other parking facilities owned and/or operated by the state and includes a prevailing wage requirement for the construction of these facilities.

Transportation emissions are among the largest source of greenhouse gas emissions in the state. Zero carbon emission vehicles such as electric vehicles will be a crucial component to meeting the state's climate goals. Building the infrastructure that will enable New Yorkers to transition to electric vehicles is necessary to facilitate the purchase and utilization of these vehicles.

Ensuring that a prevailing wage is paid to construct these facilities will help to strengthen the state's economy. Projects that ensure good wages tend to support local jobs that include benefits and a workplace that values training, safety and diversity.

As the state works to meet its climate goals, it is important to provide opportunities for all New Yorkers to benefit, from both the improved environment and with good dependable jobs in the green economy. This bill will help New Yorkers in both areas, and we thank the sponsors for advancing this balanced legislation.

Respectfully submitted,

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