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Dear MIT Alumni of Maryland:

From my time in Maryland General Assembly to my service now in the U.S. House of Representatives, I have been committed to curbing the effects of climate change, protecting Maryland's natural resources, including the Chesapeake Bay, and ensuring the quality of our air, water, and land for future generations.

As Maryland's Lieutenant Governor I helped lead one the most environmentally-friendly administrations, where we sought to decrease and mitigate the impacts of the dangerous pollution of our air and water by fighting fiercely to protect the Chesapeake Bay, and reverse the harmful impacts of climate change with a bold plan to reduce carbon pollution by 40 percent.

I called for increasing Maryland's renewable portfolio standard and making us a national leader in offshore wind and solar; adding tens of thousands of acres of forest; and, enhancing the EmPOWER energy efficiency program to reduce per capita electricity consumption by Maryland consumers. I also supported Maryland's participation in the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI), the first multi-state market-based regulatory program in the U.S. to reduce carbon pollution.

I have continued my support as a Member of Congress. As a member of the Natural Resources Committee, I have worked on reducing carbon pollution from power plants, stop offshore drilling, expanding the clean energy economy, and investing in green infrastructure. But the Trump administration's withdrawal from the Paris climate agreement and pursuit of policies to reverse or supplant environmental laws that reduce greenhouse-gas emissions has made combating climate change difficult at the national level

Climate change will have a major economic, public health and national security impact. I believe we have a moral obligation to act immediately and aggressively. Rather than ignoring the science, we must rise to the challenge. Climate change is one of our most pressing national security threats, and America must be a bold, transformative leader.

Sincerely,



Anthony G. Brown