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**Letter**

Dear Senator Feinstein,

I hope you are doing well. My name is Megan and I am a college student born, raised, and living to California. I am writing to speak to you about your stance on climate change.

I have looked at what you have done in terms of climate change, and I admire your actions. It has done a lot for California. But this isn't enough. For example, the increasing fuel economy may make vehicles more efficient, but it also propagates the use of fossil fuels. Moreover, California is connected to other states and regions. Even if we were to eliminate greenhouse gases by 2045, we would still be affected by the other states. Regardless if we are causing the emission of greenhouse gases by importing certain meats, or if we are simply affected by the actions of other areas, having these policies are not enough to stop climate change from affecting our state.

The Green New Deal is a proposal that you have rejected. If it were implemented, it would shake California and the United States' economy. It would cost millions of dollars and jobs. I can relate to your aversion. When I first heard about this, I thought it was too intense. Restructuring the state and the country to become more environmentally friendly? Why not just encourage more environmentally friendly practices, make more efficient tools, build on what we already have? Isn't what we have good enough?

But what we have is not good enough anymore. There are the obvious signs: waking up to smoky, orange skies and twenty degree shifts in temperature come to mind. There are the subtle signs: have you noticed that bugs don't die anymore? They used to die in the winter. There is no more winter, only a pervasive heat. We are frogs in a pot of bubbling water, willfully ignoring that the abnormal temperature.

I remember when the fires first started coming, I didn't feel shocked. All I felt was resigned. I have seen the weather worsen with each year and I sure you have too. If we do not take action, catastrophes will occur in all realms of society. People will lose their jobs and houses. People will die.

But the Green New Deal plans to help the people it affects. We can predict the negative, mitigate the effects, and build a better future for everyone. And so I add my voice to the millions begging for your to support the bill, for even though I was too young to vote for you, I, and the people of my generation, am the one most affected by your actions. I can only hope that you will listen.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Megan Shieh

(Sent)

Thank you for your message. Please know that my office is making every effort to assist Californians with their specific concerns as quickly as possible. Due to safety precautions being taken to decrease the spread of COVID-19 (coronavirus), our response time may be significantly delayed.

If you have any questions, concerns or difficulties due to the coronavirus outbreak, I encourage you to contact my Washington, D.C. office for assistance at (202) 224-3841 or my San Francisco office at (415) 393-0707. You may also email my office [here](#) or you can submit a casework request [here](#).

If you or a loved one needs assistance returning to the United States from abroad, please fill out our [privacy release form](#) online (including full name, Date of Birth, and passport number of person trying to return to the U.S.) and submit signed forms to [caserwork@feinstein.senate.gov](mailto:caserwork@feinstein.senate.gov), by fax to (415)-393-0710, or by mail to:

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To @SenFeinstein - I am one among many who are asking you to support @AOC and @EdMarkey and their #GreenNewDeal. It would be a radical change, but it is one that we seriously need now-- before it's too late. @TurningGreenOrg #pgc2020

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