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**NYPIRG APPLAUDS SIGNING OF THE CLIMATE LEADERSHIP AND
COMMUNITY PROTECTION ACT INTO LAW**

(Albany, N.Y.) Today, the Governor signed the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act into law. The signing of this Act sets New York’s goals of net-zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050 and 100% carbon-free electricity by 2040 into statute, making New York’s climate goals [some of the most ambitious in the country](#).

The following statement is attributable to Liz Moran, Environmental Policy Director for NYPIRG:

“Now that the ambitious goals of the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act are on the books, the truly hard work begins. To ensure that New York State not only meets these goals, but can aim to exceed them, New York must immediately begin issuing annual progress “report cards” to engage the public and assess whether the state is hitting the metrics set in the law. Accountability will be critical to the success of this law, because the bottom-line is that the human cost of inaction, or slow action, is far too high to ignore. NYPIRG thanks the Governor and the Legislature for coming together to pass and put into law strong goals to address the climate crisis – now the real work must begin. We don’t have a moment to spare.”

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