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To whom it may concern regarding HB2571;

I really feel the need to share my story, and it begins with the onset of Diabetes. I have a passion for riding a bicycle. To prove this, in the year 2017, from March to October, my partner and I rode over 1400 miles. Then with the onset of Diabetes, and in the year 2020, I was, at that time, not even able to walk in the stores due to neuropathy of the feet. I was sadly one of those people that had to ride the scooters in the store. I am somebody that loves to walk for exercise. It was very difficult for me to accept that I could not walk anymore. I desperately needed to get my blood sugar/A1C numbers down. I have three other people that I ride bikes with, and I used to be the leader. But with this diabetes, I was not strong enough, and now I was holding everyone back. I only tell you this part of the story to share with you what motivated me to check into an electric bike. Purchasing an electric bike literally saved my life! My last A1C was "5.8", down from an "9.8"! Due to the fact that I am now able to ride 25 to 30 miles a day. I am also able to walk again, and I have been walking a mile a day, and I have my strength back! The electric bike was so amazing! I was able to get the power assistance needed from the bike, to work my way up to needing very little assistance now. I am in such gratitude. I really don't know who to thank. I just wish more people, for their health, have the opportunity for this amazing gift. I immediately not only bought the electric bike for myself, but also purchased a bike for my other three bicycle partners. So if my story can help others, thank you for this opportunity. Also, thank you to Helen and the team at Cynergy Bikes, they are amazing!

Sincerely,

Charles Suniga