Dear (Insert your MP’s name) MP

I am writing to you as my MP to ask you to vote in favour of the Clean Air (Human Right) Bill (Ella’s Law) when it comes up for debate in the House of Commons.

Baroness Jenny Jones’ Clean Air (Human Rights) Bill topped the ballot of Private Member Bills in the House of Lords on 12 May 2022, racing through several steps before being approved by all political parties on 2 December 2022. The Bill has now moved to the House of Commons where it is being sponsored by Caroline Lucas MP.

The Clean Air (Human Rights) Bill is also called Ella’s Law in remembrance of Ella Adoo Kissi-Debrah, who died age 9 in February 2013 of an acute asthma attack. Ella was the first person in the UK to have air pollution listed as a cause of death.

The Act will:

* Enshrine the Human Right to clean air in law thus preventing the deaths of children and other vulnerable people, whilst helping to protect the environment and mitigate climate change;
* Tackle air pollution and greenhouse gases;
* Establish a pathway to comply with the WHO’s new air quality guidelines;
* Include air quality measures for places of work and new residential developments as well as place duties on Local Authorities to tackle issues of mould in social housing.

There is a duty to prevent future deaths as stated by Coroner Philip Barlow in April 2021. The only way to carry out this duty is to reduce air pollution and clean up the air that we breathe.This is why I am asking you to support the Clean Air (Human Rights) Bill which includes clear targets, deadlines and proportional enforcement.

Clean air for all is a moral and ethical issue, above party politics. It is about doing the right thing by our children and the most vulnerable in society. A civilised society is measured by how well they protect future generations and its most vulnerable citizens. The House of Lords set aside their political differences in order to focus on public health and the House of Commons should behave in this same honourable way.

I look forward to your support for this very important Bill when it comes to the vote. There is huge public support for Ella’s Law with many newspapers and charities championing it. Voters will be following its progress in the House of Commons and watching how their MPs vote.

Yours sincerely

(Insert your name and address so your MP knows you are a constituent)