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ILLINOIS STATE SENATE **DAVID KOEHLER** STATE SENATOR · 46TH DISTRICT

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Dear City Council Member:

I am writing in support of a Responsible Bidder Ordinance for all public construction projects in your community.

As you know, it is important to protect the well being of our local economies and workers within them. A comprehensive Responsible Bidder Ordinance protects local economies through the employment of expertly trained, local tradesmen. Contractors who meet the responsible bidder standards ensure compliance with all laws prerequisite of doing business in Illinois and that employees have access to training as defined by the United States Department of Labor Bureau of Apprenticeship Training for each of the trades of work contemplated under the awarded contract.

Thank you in advance for considering this ordinance. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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David Koehler State Senator, 46th District