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Via Email: public.testimony@kcmo.org Mayor Lucas and City Council Members City of Kansas City, Missouri City Hall 414 E. 12th Street Kansas City, Missouri 64106

Dear Mayor and Members of the City Council:

JE Dunn has been headquartered in downtown Kansas City for over 100 years. And we have witnessed a lot of great public private partnerships over those years. The renovation of Union Station, the Downtown YMCA, the Bolender Center for the Ballet and the Kauffman Performing Arts Center to name a few. Today we write to express our strong support for Ordinance No. 250809 which with passage will allow you to add Roy Blunt Luminary Park to that list.

As an early private donor to the park, we see the transformative opportunity a "world class" urban park will make for our community. Those of you that have been to Dallas and seen Klyde Warren Park know the potential. An oasis in a space that was once noisy and blighted that can now be a thriving year-round active green space for the entire community to gather and celebrate special events and make lasting memories.

Ordinance No. 250809 is an historic commitment by the city to match the State's commitment of over \$75M and the federal commitment of over \$28M. We applaud the work of the City Manager's office and the mayor as well as many of you as this project has been in the works for over 10 years. Today we ask that you vote YES and advance this project to construction early next year.

Kansas City is an international destination, and unique amenities like Roy Blunt Luminary Park will continue to set us apart. It will not only connect the Central Business District with the Crossroads Arts District but will enhance our convention business. But its greatest impact will be on residents, workers in the area and the broader community. As a gathering place to celebrate the richness and diversity of our community.

Thank you for your past support for this project and your commitment to a greater Kansas City.

Sincerely,

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