



May 3, 2022

Kansas City, Missouri City Council 414 E 12<sup>th</sup> Street Kansas City, MO 64106

Dear Mayor and City Council,

Since 1950, the Heavy Constructors Association of Greater Kansas City has been a leading advocate for transportation and development projects in the metro area. One of the Association's top priorities is to provide support to projects around the area that will provide good jobs, grow the local economy, and improve Kansas City as a whole.

With that in mind, please accept this letter of support from the HCA for the I-49 Industrial Center to include the currently vacant property to the north. This development will help spur growth and encourage expansion of the surrounding businesses, retail operations and housing infrastructure. Such growth is a natural product of projects such as this and will result in significant job creation and increased economic activity.

We believe that industrial development of this magnitude can truly become an anchor in the community and will attract further development such as housing for the increased workforce, retail, restaurants, and other new development. We believe the I-49 Industrial Project is ideally positioned to support the priorities of the HCA as well as the local community and would serve as a beacon of economic growth in our city.

Given the significant benefits of the referenced development, we fully support the project and urge the Kansas City, Missouri City Council to support the proposed development plan to allow the project to move forward. The HCA plans to stay informed of the progress of the development and will continue to offer our perspective and advice on how the I-49 Industrial Center can help Kansas City grow.

If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call at 816-753-6443.

Sincerely,

Bridgette Williams, Executive Director

Heavy Constructors Association of Greater Kansas City

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