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Mayor Mike Matson Davenport City Council Members Davenport City Hall 226 West Fourth Street Davenport, Iowa 52801

RE: City of Davenport's proposed amendment to the City's North Urban Renewal Area Plan.

Dear Mayor Matson and Council Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed amendment of the North Urban Renewal Area Plan. The amendment includes one internal TIF amendment to allow the use of TIF funds to reimburse \$275,000 to the City's General Fund. As for the internal TIF amendment, the Board has consistently opposed the use of TIF to reimburse the City for staffing costs.

The Scott County Board of Supervisors appreciates the opportunity to comment on this plan amendment. While the Board is supportive of the increase to the tax base and creation of new jobs, the Board also believes the use of TIF by the City of Davenport to reimburse its General Fund for these economic development staff is inappropriate as a shared expense between all taxing bodies without further substantiation of successes. We would like to continue a spirit of cooperation with the City of Davenport on economic development projects that create jobs and we look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

Ken Beck, Chairman Scott County Board of Supervisors

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