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

Dear Mayor and City Council:

I write this letter of support on behalf of the board of directors of the South KC Chamber. One of the Chamber's top priorities in 2022 is to support and monitor the development and implementation of a comprehensive multimodal transit strategy for Kansas City that encourages business, retail, and housing development along future high-service and existing interstate corridors, especially I-49. As a result, and on behalf of the South KC Chamber, I am writing to confirm that our organization is very much in favor of the further development of the I-49 Industrial Center to include the currently vacant property to the north. Such development will help spur growth and encourage expansion of the surrounding businesses, retail operations and housing infrastructure as such growth is a natural product of projects such as this that will result in significant job creation and increased economic activity.

Our organization believes 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 Center is ideally positioned to meet our organizations' priorities and serve as a beacon of economic growth in our City.

Given the significant benefits from the referenced development, I would like to express South KC Chamber's support for the proposed I-49 Industrial Center effort and urge the Kansas City, Missouri City Council to support the proposed development plan to allow the project to move forward. South KC Chamber plans to stay informed of the progress throughout the overall development of the I-49 Industrial Center and continues to offer our perspective and advice on how the I-49 Industrial Center could serve our end users and customers.

If you have any questions or want to discuss anything, please feel free to reach out to me.

Sincerely,

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President

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