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Northern Transformation Corporation 2839 South M-76 West Branch, MI 48661

Dear Promise Zone Committee,

The City of Beaverton is pleased to offer its support to the consortium of partners, as led by the Northern Transformation Corporation, in an effort to obtain Promise Zone status through the Federal Government.

Receiving this designation will help create sustainable local business, job growth and improve the quality of life for this region. The Northern Michigan population continues to face a higher rate of poverty, less job opportunities, and disability.

The City of Beaverton is committed to do whatever it can to promote and support economic development our area. The City of Beaverton is active in the Economic Development Corporation and the Downtown Development Authority in our area as well as working together with local business, area manufacturing and workforce agencies.

We are excited to partner in a Promise Zone Initiative that can specifically lead us to even greater opportunities to assist in the battle against high poverty and low educational attainment, while finding additional economic development chances for the citizens of our area.

We look forward to continuing to work together with Northern Transformation Corporation and partners to achieve Promise Zone status.

Sincerely,

Kerry D. Posey, City Manager

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