Gladwin County Human Services Coordinating Body

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Mark Berdan Northern Transformation 2389 S. M-76 West Branch, MI 48661

Dear Mr. Berdan:

The Gladwin County Human Services Coordinating Body (HSCB) voted unanimously this morning to send this letter of support for the efforts of Northern Transformation – the lead applicant seeking Promise Zone Initiative designation on behalf of Arenac, Clare, Gladwin, Iosco, Ogemaw and Roscommon counties.

Many of our individual member agencies have already sent their letters of support, but we felt that it was important for the HSCB, as a group, to go on record with our support. Several of our agencies provide services in more than one of the counties identified in this initiative. Our list of members is extensive and includes the following:

Arnold Center
Family Life Programs
Community Mental Health
Department of Human Services
Gladwin County Commissioner
Beaverton Area Business Association

Gladwin County Transit Central Michigan Health Department

Clare Gladwin RESD Big Brothers Big Sisters

MidMichigan Medical Center-Gladwin

Gladwin Ministerial Association MidMichigan Home Care

Beaverton Schools MSU Extension

Alzheimer's Association

EMS Gladwin

Sacred Heart Mission

True North Community Services

Council on Aging

Michigan Works Shelterhouse Salvation Army

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Beaverton Ministerial Association

Council on Aging

Gladwin Housing Commission

Helping Hands Mission

Mid Michigan Community College

A&D Home Care

United Way of Gladwin and Clare Counties

Region VII Area Agency on Aging

Adoption Option NEMCSA Headstart Hospice Advantage

MidMichigan Community Action Agency

Gladwin Nursing and Rehab Gladwin Area Hospice

Gladwin County Habitat for Humanity

We at the Gladwin County HSCB recognize the value that the Promise Zone Initiative designation can bring to help the people we serve with better health, education, employment, transportation and other opportunities. Thank you for your efforts and leadership.

Sincerely,

John Shaffer, Chairman