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Senator Evan Vickers
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Dear Senator Vickers,

Thank you for your participation and leadership in another productive and important legislative session. As elected officials ourselves, we appreciate your willingness to run for office and the hard work and dedication you show representing your constituents at the Capitol. With COVID-19 protocols in place, we were not able to participate in person as we have in the past, but we appreciate your willingness to be open to communication and concerns from Washington City during the session.

We recognize that a government closest to the people is best able to represent the individual needs of families and neighborhoods. Local City governments are able to make decisions that meet the needs of a particular area that may not be applicable to the state as a whole. In this session, we watched a number of bills that tried to apply a one-size-fits-all approach to all residents state-wide.

Thank you for being a champion for local control, and for your willingness to listen to our concerns when proposed legislation encroaches on the ability of our residents to govern themselves locally. This trend seems to be increasing, and we ask for your help to keep decision-making at the most local level possible to preserve our unique communities and local decision-making capabilities. Additionally, we generally oppose any legislation that adds costs to our City without funding. We are working very hard to be a fiscally responsible City, and we ask for your continued help eliminating unfunded State mandates.

We appreciate the excellent working relationship we enjoy between you and Washington City. Thank you for all your hard work, and we look forward to continuing working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

Washington City Mayor and City Council