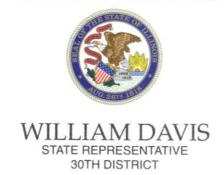
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September 11, 2006

Dear City Council Member / Village Board Member,

I write this letter in support of a comprehensive Responsible Bidder Ordinance for all public works construction contracts issued by your taxing body.

As Representative of the 30th District, which encompasses 15 municipalities, I am keenly aware of how important it is to protect the well being of our local economies and workers within them. A comprehensive Responsible Bidder Ordinance protects local economies through the employment of expertly trained, local tradesmen. Contractors who meet the responsible bidder standards ensure compliance with all laws prerequisite of doing business in Illinois and that employees have access to training as defined by the United States Department of Labor Bureau of Apprenticeship Training for each of the trades of work contemplated under the awarded contract.

Additionally, effectively trained workers offer increased awareness of safety, which largely decreases liability for the taxing body and ensures the highest quality product for the taxpayers. I urge you to consider adopting a Responsible Bidder Ordinance for the increased benefits that it brings the taxpayers and the many public works projects they fund in their communities.

Thank you in advance for your consideration. If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (708) 799-7300.

Sincerely,

William Davis

Illinois State Representative

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