An open letter to property owners in downtown's mile square

DEAR DOWNTOWN INDIANAPOLIS PROPERTY OWNERS:

This letter is to affirm our support for the proposed *Economic Improvement District (EID) for Downtown Indianapolis* and to encourage our peers to do the same. We are incredibly pleased by the growing support for the Mile Square EID, yet some commercial and residential property owners remain undecided regarding the EID's need and purpose. We recognize this uncertainty and seek to address it to move our Downtown forward.

The proposed EID is an economic improvement model that will provide financial resources to help Downtown strengthen its position to sustain momentum and competitiveness.

- Every major city across the country, including Columbus, Detroit, Louisville, Cincinnati, Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Louis, uses this method to address downtown enhancements. Except Indianapolis.
- Why now? Sustaining our momentum is critical, especially as our peer cities are aggressively going after the same talent, visitors, employers and residents that we're seeking to attract.
- The EID will increase additional public safety patrols by five times
 the current coverage, provide dedicated homeless outreach leading
 to a reduction in panhandling, enhance streetscape cleanliness and
 maintenance, plus increase litter/weed and graffiti control.
- Property owners would control EID funds, which could also be used to
 create neighborhood enhancements such as dog parks, public restrooms
 and playgrounds. EIDs exist as vehicles to fund improvements that
 city tax dollars have never nor ever will fund that would otherwise go
 undone—all intended to continue increasing our property values and
 attractiveness, which results in business development, talent attraction
 and retention.

We firmly believe that our best days are ahead of us and this EID will allow us, as property owners, to *collectively advocate for the future of Downtown*. We salute and thank Downtown Indy, Inc., for taking the proactive step of facilitating this petition process as the front line ambassadors for the Mile Square. By providing resources that we manage, this EID puts greater control of the district in our hands and allows us to leverage even more funds to ensure long term success.

As we look ahead, we encourage you to step up and sign your EID petition provided by Downtown Indy, Inc. Not doing so indicates that **perhaps you're OK with the status quo. We are not.** Please review the information at **WWW.DOWNTOWNINDY.ORG/EID** and if you wish, any of us would be glad to meet to discuss. This plan will dramatically strengthen the public realm enjoyed by our current and future employees, neighbors and visitors. Please join us in supporting the Mile Square EID by signing your petition.

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TO PROTECT THE DOWNTOWN YOU LOVE AND MAKE IT EVEN BETTER, SIGN YOUR PETITION TODAY!

YES.

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ON BEHALF OF ALL WHO LIVE, WORK AND VISIT DOWNTOWN INDIANAPOLIS, THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING COMMERCIAL PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN THE MILE SQUARE WHO SUPPORT IMPROVING AND ADVANCING OUR DOWNTOWN THROUGH THE FORMATION OF THE EID.

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