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Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce
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Lansing, MI 48312

April 18, 2025

Subject: Access to Justice – Support for ADA Compliance and Infrastructure Improvements in Eaton County

To whom it may concern,

On behalf of the Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce (LRCC), I write to express our strong support for Eaton County's request for state funding to address ADA compliance and infrastructure needs at the Eaton County Governmental Complex and Courthouse.

As a regional organization committed to advancing the accessibility, safety, and operational effectiveness of our local governments, LRCC views these improvements as both timely and essential. The proposed enhancements—including automatic door arms, website accessibility upgrades, sidewalk and parking lot repaving, and the replacement of two vital elevators—will ensure the complex is inclusive and secure for all residents and visitors in need of services and the justice system

In particular, we are concerned about the risk posed by the aging elevators, one of which is used for transporting inmates. Their failure would force shared use between the public and incarcerated individuals, which presents significant public safety, security, and operational challenges. We urge your support of Eaton County's request as a necessary investment in equitable access to government services, regional public safety, and long-term operational resilience.

Thank you for your leadership and continued commitment to supporting Mid-Michigan communities.

Sincerely,

Tim Daman
President & CEO
Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce