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Mayor John Dickert
Members of the Common Council
c/o Janice Johnson-Martin, City Clerk

Subject: Request for permission to accept two U.S. Environmental Protection Agency grants to perform environmental site assessments at brownfields properties throughout the City. Grant control number: 2010-031.

Dear Mayor Dickert and Honorable Aldermen:

On June 6, 2011 the City of Racine received notice that our application had been successful and we have been awarded \$400,000 of Site Assessment Grant (SAG) money from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) (\$200,000 for hazardous substances and \$200,000 for petroleum). This grant will be used for environmental investigations at brownfields properties contaminated by petroleum and hazardous substances throughout the City. This testing is a key first step in initiating successful brownfields remediation and redevelopment. This grant will also be used to conduct an area-wide plan for the Root River Corridor. No match is required.

I respectfully request permission to accept this grant on behalf of the City.

Please refer this request to the Finance and Personnel Committee for its review and recommendation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brian F. O'Connell", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Brian F. O'Connell
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Attachment

C: David Brown, Finance Director
Debbi Embry, Grants Facilitator
Tina Chitwood, RCEDC
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