



March 17, 2026

The Honorable Gary Peters
United States Senate
724 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of the City of Gladstone Downtown Development Authority (DDA), I am pleased to express our strong support for the proposed **North Shore Development Project** in the City of Gladstone.

The North Shore Development is located within the Gladstone DDA District, making this project particularly important to our organization. As a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) authority, the DDA recognizes the critical role strategic development plays in strengthening the local tax base, encouraging private investment, and creating long-term economic vitality within the district.

The Gladstone DDA has demonstrated its commitment to the success of the North Shore project through direct financial participation. The DDA currently pays the mortgage on the property to assist the City of Gladstone in its acquisition and has also supported the project through contributions toward legal services and engineering costs associated with advancing the site for development. These investments reflect the DDA's strong belief in the long-term potential of the North Shore property and our dedication to seeing it successfully developed.

Established in 1992, the Gladstone Downtown Development Authority works to enhance the quality of life for residents and cultivate a positive image of downtown Gladstone for businesses, residents, and visitors alike. Using TIF revenues, the DDA comprehensively manages the downtown district with the goal of halting property value deterioration, eliminating the causes of that deterioration, and promoting economic growth that benefits the entire community. The North Shore Development represents an exciting opportunity to activate underutilized land within the district and further advance the DDA's mission to increase property tax valuation and strengthen the economic foundation of downtown Gladstone.

The DDA Board represents the interests of downtown businesses, property owners, and residents, and we view this project as a meaningful investment in the long-term vitality of our community. Development projects such as this not only enhance the physical landscape of the district but also contribute to increased economic activity and community vibrancy.

For these reasons, the Gladstone Downtown Development Authority is proud to support the North Shore Development Project and looks forward to the positive impact it will have on our downtown district and the broader Gladstone community.

Sincerely,

Jay Bostwick
Downtown Development Authority Chairperson
City of Gladstone

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