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September 4, 2015

Mr. Robert Cardillo
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Re: Relocation of National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency

Dear Mr. Cardillo:

I want to express St. Louis County's unconditional support of the site presented by the City of St. Louis to the National Geospatial- Intelligence Agency (NGA), for the relocation of its new St. Louis headquarters.

NGA is a critical link in America's Intelligence apparatus and in order to carry out its vital mission it is imperative our region finds a suitable location for its current campus replacement. The City of St. Louis site offers NGA a unique opportunity to locate in an urban area with full access to necessary amenities nearby, close to its current campus, while distinctly meeting the requirements set forth in NGA's Request for Proposals.

This suggested location has unsurpassed accessibility in close proximity to four interstate highways, I-70, I-55, I-64 and I-44, as well as many arterial roads in the City of St. Louis and unrivaled public transit options.

The construction and labor force in this area is fully capable of delivering a quality facility in a timely manner. Furthermore, the central location of the City site also offers accessibility to a talented workforce supported by a significant number of educational institutions.

The City of St. Louis is very fortunate to be home to two major, nationally renowned hospitals as well as a veteran's and other smaller hospitals and urgent care facilities. The major hospitals, Barnes and St. Louis University, are both within five miles of the City's proposed

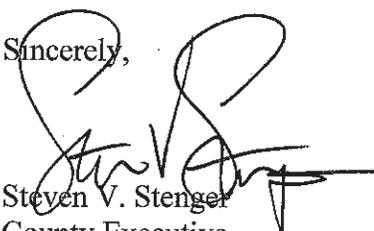
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NGA site. A variety of cultural, entertainment and recreation destinations also are in abundance nearby. Major league sports as well as world renowned institutions are within a ten minute drive of the site. The zoo, art museum, botanical garden, and science center are just a few of the opportunities that are very easily accessible for your employees' enjoyment.

NGA has a rich and extraordinary history with St. Louis starting with the Lewis & Clark expeditions that are the foundation of NGA's enduring legacy. For this reason, as well as those stated above, the City of St. Louis is optimistic about this opportunity to locate the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency in North St. Louis City.

St. Louis County wholeheartedly supports this endeavor by the City, offers its unequivocal endorsement of the City of St. Louis location and calls upon our regional leaders at all levels of government to unite in support of this location.

Sincerely,



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County Executive

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cc: Hon. Claire McCaskill
Hon. Roy Blunt
Hon. Wm. Lacy Clay
Hon. Francis Slay
Hon. Lewis Reed