

July 28, 2025

Attn: Lansing City Council  
Re: City Rescue Mission Rehabilitation Project

Dear Lansing City Council,

On behalf of the Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce (LRCC), we express our enthusiastic support for the proposed redevelopment of the property formerly home to the City Rescue Mission on Michigan Avenue.

We believe this project represents a much-needed and exciting step forward for our city. The redevelopment will help revitalize the Michigan Avenue Corridor by bringing:

- Additional housing units to our urban core
- Refreshed spaces to foster new retail and restaurant opportunities
- Improvements to public infrastructure, including curbs, sidewalks, and rain gardens
- Increased energy and activation benefiting both downtown Lansing and surrounding neighborhoods while providing positive experiences for visitors

This aligns with the LRCC's public policy priorities that focus on supporting projects which drive economic development, job creation, and strategic reinvestment in our region's corridors.

It is inspiring to see a project that honors the mission of the City Rescue Mission by breathing new life into its former space. For the health and well-being of both the business and residential community, continued investment along the Michigan Avenue corridor is essential.

We are confident that this redevelopment will contribute significantly to the growth and vitality of Lansing, making it an even better place to live, work, and play. We are proud to lend our support to this project and encourage the City Council to approve this redevelopment plan.

Sincerely,



Tim Daman  
President & CEO  
Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce