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Jake Hamann
Peoria Innovation Alliance

RE: Downtown Peoria Innovation District

Dear Mr. Hamann,

On behalf of the County of Peoria, I am proud to offer our support and efforts to collaborate on the proposed Innovation District in Peoria's Downtown. The County of Peoria is many things, including a major employer in our community; a leader in local government service delivery; and most importantly committed to innovation in our region and community. Although unsuccessful, the County was an early supporter of the region's USDOT grant application to be an autonomous vehicle testing location. The County is dedicated to growing the entrepreneurial economy in our community of which innovation will have a significant role.

The County looks forward to the collaborative efforts forthcoming as both the Innovation District and Smart City projects come into fruition; especially those initiatives related to autonomous mobility and growing the innovation economy in Peoria.

Sincerely yours,

Scott A. Sorrel
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