From: Randy Case <<u>rcase@aplusd.biz</u>> Sent: Tuesday, April 2, 2024 4:15 PM To: Thomas Albert <<u>TAlbert@senate.michigan.gov</u>> Subject: HB 5430

Thomas Albert State Senator 18<sup>th</sup> District

Dear Senator Albert,

I am a constituent in your district, in Battle creek, and I want to thank you for arranging for Tim Martin to meet with me during our recent American Institute of Architects Michigan lobby day. During that visit we discussed legislation for the expanded use of Historic Tax Credits and how they protect our heritage, keep historic properties in use and on the tax rolls after project completion, sustainably keep building materials out of landfills and create jobs. I explained to Tim that I would send information on the HB 5430 to enlist your support. To that end I have attached a fact sheet for your review.

In my work I have utilized these tax credits for many years, including a building I own in downtown Battle Creek. The ones that are presently in affect are not helpful to many projects since the caps set for them are too low and used up almost immediately. These tax credits make a big difference in Gap financing to allow a project to go forward. Many developers have gone to neighboring states that have no caps to do their projects instead of Michigan.

I would really like to know your position on HB5430 and the expansion of the Historic Tax credits.

If you have questions feel free to contact me.

Best regards, Randy L. Case AIA LEED AP Architecture+design Inc. 95 Lynwood Drive Battle Creek, Mi 49015 269-209-3553 www.aplusd.biz rcase@aplusd.biz