



June 20, 2024

Dear County Executive White,

As you are aware, the landfill threat was finally eliminated when Gov. Parson signed HB 1751 into law on May 6. Our communities are now protected from the inevitable negative impacts a nearby landfill would have on our health, environment, economic vitality and quality of life, on top of the millions of dollars that would have been lost in home values.

The passage of the landfill legislation was made possible by the settlement agreement the City of Raymore entered into with the landfill developer, as multiple legislators would not allow the legislation to move forward unless we "made the developers whole." After a year and a half of efforts, the legislation moved through both the Missouri Senate and House within eight days of our City Council's approval of the agreement.

The settlement negotiations were incredibly difficult, with the starting point being more than four times the final agreed upon amount of \$3.2 million.

While we were the tip of the spear in the fight, we are thankful for you, as we knew we could count on your support with resolutions, testimonies in Jefferson City and letters, emails and calls to legislators from your constituents. Now, we're asking you to consider one last thing – assisting us to offset some of the significant costs incurred by our municipality due to the settlement and nearly two years of lobbying and legal fees and related expenses.

Please give me a call at your convenience to discuss this request.

Sincerely,

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