City of St. Clair Shores

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Michigan Municipal League Foundation 1675 Green Road Ann Arbor, MI 48105

RE: Bridge Builders – Main Street Microgrants

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the City of St. Clair Shores, I am pleased to offer this letter of support for the City of St. Clair Shores Main Street Microgrant application: "Lake St. Clair, the Heart of the Great Lakes." Through the creation of this exterior wall mural, the project is poised to bring people together within the City's Natural Mile corridor and celebrate the City's biggest asset, Lake St. Clair.

Considering the project's scope and how it directly aligns with the City's Master Plan of cultivating a vibrant atmosphere along the Nautical Mile to create a regional asset for the community and beyond, adding this placemaking mural will help establish this area as a destination and reinforce its identifiable character rather than being a thoroughfare. Furthermore, the project is important due to the partnerships it strengthens and builds upon the City's previous investments within the Natural Mile, such as the development of the new Blossom Heath public pier.

We trust that you will look favorably at this grant proposal, and others like it, that unite the community and bring them to areas that were once an afterthought. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Dustin L. Lent City Manager – St. Clair Shores