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A Message from MCCG President Richard E. Mack:

On behalf of the MCCG Executive Committee, I want to thank the MCCG membership for their support and involvement in the MCCG in 2021.

The MCCG had many successes in 2021 despite the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. We continued our advocacy for the Local Government Distributive Fund (LGDF). Although we did not see the 8% restoration that we worked so hard for, our voices were heard by leaders and legislators Springfield. Many noted the Councils of Governments collaborative and united push for the 8% restoration and ultimately the LGDF was increased slightly to 6.16% from 6.06%. Please note our LGDF work is not done and the MCCG will continue to work with regional Councils of Governments and the Illinois Municipal League for future LGDF increases.

In December, we celebrated our one-year partnership with McHenry County for the Shared Services Coordinator. This position has enabled the MCCG to partner on more programs and committees, in turn, providing more services to our members. We brought back regular City/Village Managers meetings and formed a McHenry County Finance Directors Committee. In 2022, we will work to form a GIS Consortium and a municipal benchmarking program. Both will ultimately save municipalities money and provide greater access to information. Last, but not least, the MCCG assisted the McHenry County Sheriff's Department with the McHenry County Police Social Worker Program – a groundbreaking partnership with local governments and the Sheriff's Department to provide better services to our County's most vulnerable residents and the Police Departments that serve them.

In addition to the valuable services provided by the County partnership, the MCCG continues to grow. We welcomed the Village of Wonder Lake to the membership. Our Supporting Membership continues to grow and provide expertise and information to our organization and membership. We are grateful for their support.

Although the MCCG did not resume our regular meeting schedule in 2021, we did have several events that brought together our membership. We welcomed new and existing mayors to a Mayors Meet and Greet in July. The MCCG held our annual Holiday Dinner in December and our annual Legislative Dinner in February.

As we plan for summer and fall 2022, the MCCG Executive Committee developed a meeting schedule that works for our membership as we ease back to in person meetings. The MCCG looks forward to our June Membership Meeting at the Pistakee Yacht Club in Johnsburg and the MCCG Golf Outing in August. I invite you to attend both of these fantastic events. Afterall, networking and collaboration are the basis of our organization.

Thank you again for your support of our fine organization. I am hopeful that 2022 will be one of our best years yet. We have so much to look forward to in working together and providing many great programs and services for our members. The MCCG will continue our legislative work and transportation advocacy all while keeping the best interests of membership in mind.

Please visit our website at www.mchenrycountycog.org to view our full 2022 Legislative and Transportation Priorities.

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