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The Honorable Larry Wieneke County Board Chairman Calhoun County P. O. Box 180 Hardin, IL 62047

The Honorable Don Little County Board Chairman Jersey County 200 North LaFayette Street, Suite 3 Jerseyville, IL 62052-1680

Dear Chairman Wieneke and Chairman Little:

I am pleased to advise you of my final approval of your request for Calhoun and Jersey Counties to realign with Local Workforce Innovation Area 22 (LWIA 22) including Bond and Madison Counties.

The realignment of Calhoun and Jersey Counties with LWIA 22 is in response to a monitoring finding by the United States Department of Labor regarding Section 106(a)(2) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act and 20 C.F.R. § 679.210, which require local workforce areas to be located within a single economic development region. I understand that the reconfiguration of Calhoun and Jersey Counties within LWIA 22 will more effectively align economic and workforce development activities and resources. After a review of the required agreements with the Chief Local Elected Officials and the Local Workforce Board, the LWIA 22 reconfiguration to include Calhoun and Jersey Counties is approved.

Sincerely,

J.B. Pritzker Governor

cc: Erin Guthrie, Acting Director, Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity Thomas Chan, Interim Director, Illinois Department of Employment Security Grace B. Hou, Secretary, Illinois Department Human Services Brian Durham, Executive Director, Illinois Community College Board Kurt Prenzler, County Chairman, Madison County Tony Fuhrmann Director, Madison County Employment and Training Michael Sherer, Executive Director, West Central Development Council