2011 IOWA COMMUNITY CONFERENCE NOVEMBER 21, 2011 West Des Moines Marriott

October 3, 2011

Dear Friend,

I know that many Iowa communities and support organizations are implementing cost-saving measures during these difficult economic times. However, many have expressed their frustration that these cutbacks are difficult in times when they also wish to meet and communicate with federal officials about funding and grant opportunities that could be of assistance.

With this in mind I will be holding the 2011 Iowa Community Conference (ICC) on Monday, November 21, 2011 at the West Des Moines Marriott. The Iowa Community Conference has been held annually since the 1940s. It is a long tradition that is important because it allows us to gather and discuss the unique challenges that we face with the hope of making our communities better places to live and work.

Just as in past years, the topics that will be discussed are a result of issues important to communities across Iowa. I have lined up the best federal policy experts and leaders to personally come in and give you an update and answer your questions.

I would like to encourage you and your community to participate in this conference. I have enclosed a registration form for your convenience. If you would like to learn more about the topics listed here, please join me on Monday, November 21st in West Des Moines. The cost of the conference is \$50, which includes all conference materials and meals.

Topics of discussion will include:

- Transportation Issues
- Housing and Urban Development
- State Issues

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Michele Mustain in my Ames office at 515-232-2885 or email her at michele.mustain@mail.house.gov. I look forward to seeing you in West Des Moines on November 21, 2011.

Sincerely.



Tom Latham Member of Congress

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