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Dear International Economic Development Council members and partners:

Indiana is excited to host the 2019 International Economic Development Council's Annual Conference in our vibrant capital city of Indianapolis.

I know hosting your convention in Indianapolis will result in a memorable and productive week for you. You will enjoy the convenience and abundance of networking opportunities due to the connected nature of our downtown, a convention district design you will only find in Indianapolis.

Our expanded convention center, world-class airport, first-rate hotels, reputation for Hoosier hospitality, and thriving arts and dining scenes make Indy an ever-transforming urban destination waiting to surprise and delight visitors.

From life sciences and tech to agribusiness and motorsports, this is a city and state with momentum. We are proud to be first in the nation for our manufacturing workforce; a leader in life sciences, agribusiness, and technology; and one of the Top 5 U.S. States for Business according to *Chief Executive*. Our infrastructure, tax advantages, low cost of doing business, and balanced budget creates a climate for business growth.

I invite you to come experience our capital city and state first-hand and look forward to welcoming you to Indianapolis.

Sincerely,

Governor

State of Indiana

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