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SUBURBAN MAYORS SUPPORT THE VILLAGE OF WILLOWBROOK IN THEIR FIGHT AGAINST STERIGENICS FACILITY

River Grove, IL – The communities that comprise the West Central Municipal Conference (WCMC) recently voted at their recent Legislative Breakfast, to support Mayor Frank Trilla and the Village of Willowbrook in their fight against the Sterigenics facility located in Willowbrook.

WCMC Legislative Committee Chair, Mayor Christopher Getty, Village of Lyons, called for the motion to support Mayor Trilla and his fight at the Saturday, February 9th Annual WCMC Legislative Breakfast. The motion, which was presented to the nearly 300 local, state and federal officials in attendance, was unanimously passed.

“Recent media reports of alleged improper handling of dangerous chemicals at the Sterigenics facility in Willowbrook and reports of elevated EtO levels within the Village of Willowbrook and surrounding communities are deeply disturbing to all of us in the region, and we urge the U.S. EPA to take swift and effective action to protect the health and safety of families living near the facility”, said Mayor Getty. “The WCMC stands in support Mayor Trilla and the Village in their efforts to protect the health and safety of not only the residents in Willowbrook but also the surrounding region”.

In 1980, the WCMC was founded as the regional council of governments (COG) serving the communities of west suburban Cook County. Today, the membership roster consists of 51 municipalities, townships, Brookfield Zoo and 2 community colleges in western Cook and eastern Du Page Counties.

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