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June 13, 2018

«Name»

«Attention»

«MAILING_Address_1»

«MAILING_Address_2»

«City», «State» «ZipCode»

RE: Ward 3 Sidewalk Repairs

Dear Property Owner,

Federal Code established by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requires that public sidewalks have no abrupt changes in level greater than ¼ inch. To be in compliance with federal law and to increase safety and reduce liability for our residents, the City of Independence has implemented an ongoing Sidewalk Maintenance Program. This summer we began by surveying the Third Ward of Independence to identify issues that need to be addressed. You have received this letter because your property lies within the surveyed area and was found to require sidewalk repair.

To help keep costs in check, Precision Concrete Cutting has been retained to remove hazards where the panels have shifted but the concrete remains solid. By utilizing their sawing process to do repairs (rather than demolish and replace everything) the cost savings are very significant. Examples of the company's work can be found next to City Hall and the Fire Department. These repairs were done earlier this year when Precision Concrete Cutting was asked to demonstrate their abilities.

The property at «PROPERTY_ADDRESS**» («**PIN**») requires «**M_of_Repairs**» sidewalk repairs at a total cost not to exceed \$80.00 per repair. According to the survey report, the repair numbers are «**Repair_**»**

Consistent with City Ordinances 136.04, 136.05, and 136.06 under Chapter 136 "Sidewalk Regulations," you will receive a bill from the City for the hazard repairs when completed. The amount may be paid immediately OR, for convenience, added as a special assessment to your tax statement and be paid with your tax bill.

You may opt out of the program by repairing the affected panels yourself, but you must inform the City of your intentions by **4:00 pm on Friday, July 13, 2018**, and work must be completed by **October 1, 2018**. **Remember:** All walks must be built to city specifications (available on the city website or at City Hall) and the concrete forms must be inspected prior to pouring. Failure to comply could result in the concrete having to be torn out.

This year's repairs will begin in July. The Sidewalk Maintenance Program will continue to progress through remaining sections of the city over the next four years.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact City Hall at (319) 334-2780.

Al Roder
City Manager