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The Honorable Bobby Rush  
U.S. Congressman  
700-706 East 79th Street  
Chicago, IL 60619

Dear Congressman Rush:

On behalf of the members of the Transportation for Illinois Coalition (TFIC), we thank you for supporting the override of the President's veto of H.R. 1495, the Water Resources Development Act of 2007. This legislation provides much needed funding for Illinois and the rest of the nation to improve our waterway systems. With a portion of the approximately \$23 billion authorized in the WRDA legislation, Illinois will be able to modernize its lock and dam system and become a better steward of the Upper Mississippi River System.

We again thank you for taking a stand and supporting this critical legislation.

Sincerely,

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TFIC Co-Chair

Douglas L. Whitley  
President, Illinois Chamber of Commerce  
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