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Mr. Bruce Haber, Division Director
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RE: U.S. Rep. Joe Courtney (CT-02) Endorsement: Norwich, CT Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Grant Application

Dear Mr. Haber:

It is with great enthusiasm that I write to support the City of Norwich, CT for funding from the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control (LHC) grant program.

Located at the convergence of the Yantic, Shetucket and Thames Rivers in southeastern Connecticut, the City of Norwich is affectionately known as 'The Rose of New England.' A city steeped in historical significance, Norwich has an 18,000-unit housing stock in which eighty percent were built prior to a national lead paint ban established in 1978.

The reduction of lead hazards in Norwich is of immense importance to the city and residents. Over the past 20 years, Norwich's Community development initiative has cleaned about 500 units. Additional abatement funding will enable this critical work to continue and ensure that all children and families secure quality and safe housing.

I have seen the abatement program in action here in Norwich and its demonstrated history of success. As such, it is my pleasure to endorse this worthy proposal for continued funding.

Sincerely,

JOE COURTNEY
Member of Congress