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# DUPAGE COUNTY BOARD

Aug. 1, 2019

Dear Legislative Committee,

In October 2018, I wrote to encourage the Legislative Committee to formally support Illinois Senate Bill (SB) 3640. That bill, filed by Senator John Curran, would have prohibited all uses of ethylene oxide (EtO) in Illinois by 2022. I thank your committee for directing DuPage County's lobbyists in Springfield to advocate for SB 3640 as well as all subsequent legislation intended to ensure Sterigenics remains closed. Unfortunately, the state's legislative leaders could not take up SB 3640 at the time. As a result, the urgency of this issue has not dissipated. It is my understanding that Senator Curran is working with the ILEPA and other stakeholders to modify his proposed bill to ensure it is definitive in shutting down Sterigenics' use of ethylene oxide.

Without further action by the legislature, Sterigenics could resume operations and risk the health and safety of DuPage County residents. For this reason, I, along with the co-signers listed below, respectfully ask the Legislative Committee to direct our lobbyists in Springfield to do the following:

- 1.) Advocate for Senator Curran's latest efforts to pass legislation that would eliminate the use of EtO in Illinois,
- 2.) Encourage Governor Pritzker to call a special session before the scheduled veto session to approve such legislation, and
- 3.) Encourage the state legislative leaders to bring forward and pass Senator Curran's legislation no later than the Fall veto session should the Governor not call a special session.

These actions fit within our current legislative agenda and would be yet another demonstration of DuPage County's leadership in taking proactive steps to protect the health and safety of our residents. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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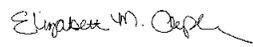
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