



September 1, 2016

Commissioner Sean Morrison
Board of Commissioners of Cook County
17th District Office
9763 W. 143rd St.
Orland Park, IL 60462

Dear Commissioner Morrison:

I am contacting you on behalf of the GOA Regional Business Association to express concern about the proposed mandate from Cook County that all businesses provide 5 paid sick leave days to their employees. Our Board of Directors along with our 800 member businesses overwhelmingly oppose the passing of this ordinance.

Our state continues to make doing business in Illinois more difficult which is sending our companies to more business friendly states. Passing this ordinance will significantly increase the cost of doing business in Cook County. This increased cost will be passed on to consumers and employees will lose hours and benefits. I have heard from more than one of my members who say they will move their business out of Cook County.

The GOA Regional Business Association joins other business associations and chambers of commerce in urging you to vote in opposition to the proposed ordinance Establishing Employer Paid Sick Leave for Residents of Cook County.

Please feel free to contact me at 630-773-2944 or shirlanne@thegoa.com if you have any questions or would like to discuss this in further detail.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Shirlanne Lemm'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Shirlanne Lemm
President & CEO