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Donald J. Trump
President
United States of America
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Trump:

I am writing today to thank you for your continued leadership and your unwavering commitment to restoring law and order in our country. I have been proud to stand with you as a law-and-order conservative, and I am even prouder to see the decisive actions you have taken to protect American families from the failed policies of radical left-wing mayors. Your recent comments regarding the safety and preparedness of Boston and Seattle, two host cities for the 2026 World Cup, were absolutely justified.

I represent the suburbs of another proud 2026 World Cup host city, Kansas City. While Kansas City has significant challenges with crime due to years of failed policies at the local level, I want to make clear that the Kansas City 2026 host committee has gone above and beyond to ensure the safety of fans, athletes, and visitors. They have worked closely and cooperatively with Andrew Giuliani, Chairman of the White House FIFA World Cup 2026 Task Force, and have consistently met every safety and security benchmark required by the federal government and by FIFA.

In addition, Kansas City has already invested millions to prepare for the games and to showcase our nation at its best. Unlike many coastal host cities, Kansas City stands alone as the only host city in the geographic heart of the United States. Removing Kansas City would mean holding an American World Cup without a single match in the Midwest. This would be a loss not only to Missouri, Kansas, and the surrounding region, but also to the spirit of the event itself.

Kansas City is projected to generate roughly 695 million dollars in economic impact from hosting World Cup matches. Stripping the city of this opportunity, after years of preparation and compliance, would have devastating consequences for the local economy and for the hardworking families I represent.

I strongly urge you to keep Kansas City as a 2026 World Cup host city. The world deserves to see the beauty, hospitality, and strength of the American Midwest, and Kansas City has worked diligently to meet every requirement placed before it.

Thank you again for your leadership and for your commitment to putting America First.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Alford", with a stylized, flowing script.

Mark Alford
Member of Congress