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Rep. Keith Sommer  
376 Heritage Drive  
Mackinaw, IL 61755

Keith,

The officers of the Tazewell County Republican Central Committee endorse your candidacy for Illinois General Assembly Representative from the 88<sup>th</sup> District.

Electing 60 Republicans to the Illinois General Assembly House on November 3 would be an enormous change in Illinois politics but we are anxious to help in away way we can. Keeping the 44 seats currently held by Republican Representatives is absolutely critical. Your reelection victory over Karla Bailey-Smith, therefore, is among our top priorities.

You represent Tazewell County well. We are especially proud of your comments during the recent session where you relayed your constituents' frustration with the extended Stay-at-Home orders issued by Governor Pritzker. Tragically, the House is dominated by 63% Democrats and your demands for votes on the Governor's actions went unanswered.

With this endorsement comes an offer to recruit volunteers for your campaign. This year's chaos has prompted many Tazewell County voters to contact us offering to volunteer. Similarly, we are experiencing a surge in requests for Trump/Pence 2020 campaign signs from people who had no prior relationship with Tazewell County Republicans. Emotions are high and people, many for the first time, want to work to stop the erosion of their constitutional rights.

The stakes are high and we are with you.

Signed,

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