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Dear Indiana Lake Michigan Coastal Advisory Board Grant Committee,

Lake Michigan, the Indiana Dunes and our shoreline are vital assets to this region and our state. With 45 miles of coast in Indiana, (approximately 3.5 miles in Long Beach) the town understands it's obligation to help maintain access to and enjoyment of this precious resource.

The Long Beach Town Council, the Clerk Treasurer and the Parks and Recreation are excited to submit a plan that will improve disability access to our shoreline at Stop 15. We plan to provide a clear public ADA beach access route to beachgoers from parking of Lakeshore Drive to boardwalk access over the foredune to the beach. We also plan to provide universal/ADA signage informing the public as to the level of accessibility of the access route. We believe this grant application fits in well with your 2019 funding priorities. Today the lakefront in Long Beach is enjoyed by many, but there are barriers that make it difficult for people confined to wheelchairs. This project will help remove that barrier.

To help ensure the long-term success and enjoyment of the project, the Town has identified the Long Beach Parks and Recreation Department and Park Board to manage and oversee the continued maintenance and future improvements to the site.

The community is supportive of this project as identified in our most recent Comprehensive Plan. We plan to keep the community informed on the progress of this project at our monthly Town Council and Advisory Plan Commission meetings and are planning a ribbon cutting ceremony on completion of the project. We also plan to install signage at various locations around town advertising it's availability.

Sincerely,

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