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This letter is in response to the request from Moore Trosper Construction Company for the Build Michigan Award Submission for the Jackson City Center project in East Lansing, Michigan.

Gresham Smith & Partners were contracted by Jackson to design and prepare construction drawings for 30,000 SF, which included the procurement of furniture. Due to the time constraints on the project, the architectural/engineering team only had six weeks to prepare a permit set. Moore Trosper only had approximately eight weeks to compete the first phase of work for occupancy.

Because of this limited schedule, the design team did not have adequate time to fully detail all aspects of the completed project. This meant the entire team had to have open lines of communication to work through details, alternate solutions and issues that arose during construction. Moore Trosper was very proactive and engaged in the project from the beginning. They understood the design intent and importance of quality. Jackson and the design team leaned heavily on Moore Trosper's expertise and resources.

GSP works with construction companies all over the country and we were very impressed with Moore Trosper's professionalism and attitude throughout the project. During the construction of this project, I had two other projects under construction, all in different cities. Unlike the other two construction projects, I never had to worry about Moore Trosper/Dave Wright's work. This was by far the most completed of the three; however, I would not have known it by the way it was handled by the project manager. I knew if he had a question or had an alternate, less expensive solution he would contact us without hesitation. Moore Trosper understood the design criteria, the client's needs and schedule impacts. The quality of work was excellent, especially, given the high level of expectations and pressured time constraints. I would highly recommend Moore Trosper and Dave Wright's as project manager for any interior construction project.

Sincerely,

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