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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Economic Development, Small
Business, and Trade

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2527

Dear Chair Nguyen, Vice Chair Diehl, and Vice Chair Isadore,

As a longtime citizen of Union County, I am writing to express my strong support for House Bill 2527, which would ensure the Union County fairgrounds have access to running water and flushable toilets. Our fairgrounds serve as much more than just a venue for the annual fair—they are also designated as an evacuation site during emergencies, a host to incident management teams, a training and staging location for emergency responders, and a vital gathering place for community events throughout the year.

In times of crisis, adequate sanitation is essential for public health and safety. Ensuring fairgrounds have reliable water infrastructure will improve their ability to support displaced residents, first responders, and livestock during wildfires, floods, or other disasters. This investment would strengthen both fairground facilities and community resilience statewide.

I urge you to support HB 2527 and help ensure that our fairgrounds remain safe, functional, and equipped to serve the public when it matters most. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Annette Powers