



**Luke A. Bronin**  
**Mayor**

January 8, 2018

The Honorable Dannel P. Malloy  
Office of the Governor  
State Capitol  
210 Capitol Avenue  
Hartford, CT 06106

Re: Request for Nomination of Opportunity Zones in the City of Hartford

Dear Governor Malloy,

As you know, last month the federal government enacted an omnibus tax law that benefits the nation's highest income earners at the expense of the middle class and residents of many states, including Connecticut. Despite the long-term damage that tax bill will do to our state and nation, one provision, the bipartisan Investing in Opportunity Act (the "Act"), could provide an opportunity to spur private investment in long-disadvantaged communities in the Capital City. Specifically, it allows governors to designate Opportunity Zones and private investment in those zones will be given preferential tax treatment.

We have made significant progress in attracting investment to Hartford, and nominating Opportunity Zones in Hartford would help build on that progress. More than 90% of the census tracts in Hartford are eligible for such designation as they constitute a "low income community" as defined by the Act.

I respectfully request that, pursuant to Section 1400Z-1(b)(1)(A) of the Act (Internal Revenue Code of 1986, Subchapter Z), you nominate to the U.S. Secretary of the Treasury the following census tracts in the City of Hartford as "qualified opportunity zones" under the Act: 5001, 5002, 5003, 5004, 5005, 5009, 5012, 5013, 5014, 5015, 5017, 5018, 5023, 5024, 5025, 5026, 5027, 5028, 5029, 5030, 5031, 5033, 5035, 5037, 5038, 5039, 5040, 5041, 5042, 5043, 5045, 5048, 5049, 5044, 5245.01, 5246, 5247.

Nominations are due by March 22, 2018. Thank you for your consideration. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Luke A. Bronin", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Luke A. Bronin  
Mayor

Cc: Court of Common Council, City of Hartford  
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