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Iowa Division of Labor
Commissioner Rod Roberts
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Des Moines, IA 50309

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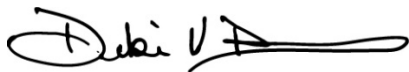
The Iowa Finance Authority (IFA) and Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) have been made aware of safety, fire and child labor concerns that were witnessed by state legislators on Friday, April 14 at the construction site of Banjo Block housing development located in the 500 block of Fourth Ave. SE in Cedar Rapids.

IFA and IEDA have allocated TWG Development approximately \$17 million in federal housing tax credits and \$900,000 in state redevelopment tax credits for the development of the 224 new rental homes. Both programs require the project to be completed in compliance with all applicable local, state and federal laws prior to being awarded the tax credits.

Our office supports an Iowa Division of Labor and Iowa OSHA investigation into the reported safety and child labor allegations and associated penalties issued by your department to the developer for any confirmed findings. Please keep IFA and IEDA informed of the process and results of any investigation so that we may review any additional potential consequences in relation to the state and federal tax credits allocated to the project.

Please advise how our team can support your investigation so that we can ensure the ongoing safety of the construction site.

Respectfully,



Deborah Durham
IEDA | IFA Director

cc:
City of Cedar Rapids
State Fire Marshall

