

West Central Jackson Improvement Association P.O. Box 20001 Jackson, MS 39289

Dr. Carolyn W. Meyers, President Jackson State University JSU Box 17390 Jackson, MS 39217-0290

Dear Dr. Meyers:

The West Central Jackson Improvement Association (WCJIA) serves as the umbrella organization for more than 10,000 residents living within a one-mile radius of the campus. We are pleased to support the University's plan to construct a football stadium near the Jackson State University campus. There are many positive aspects of this proposed plan that will benefit our residents; the opportunity for jobs within walking distance of residents; improved infrastructure, entertainment options that could keep taxes in our city and the list goes on.

As landowners, home owners, and residents around the campus, we believe that a stadium near Jackson State University will have a positive impact to our neighborhood. We see this project as an economic boost for our community; one that will benefit the City of Jackson and the State of Mississippi. Therefore, we are asking our Legislators to work in harmony with us to support our request by providing financial assistance to benefit not just Jackson State University, but area residents as well as the entire State.

We realize that the current stadium will be a great asset to the growth plan of University of Mississippi Medical Center, and are encouraged that by focusing on our common goals we can all be successful and collectively benefit from this effort.

Sincerely, al Clarke

Alyce G. Clarke, President