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An Appeal for Justice

TO: Mr. Andrew Nikou
Founder and CEO, OpenGate Capital, Los Angeles, CA

Profitable businesses are good for our economy. Socially irresponsible greed hurts our communities and our citizens.

We have seen that your private equity company has a track record of buying businesses—in Wisconsin and throughout America—then closing them and damaging local economies for the benefit of your investors.

It is our understanding you bought and closed Golden Guernsey, PennySaver, Fusion Paperboard and Hamilton Scientific.

Now you want to move production jobs from your flagship movable partition shop, HUF COR, from Wisconsin to Mexico. Founded in 1901, HUF COR has

weathered the Great Depression, multiple recessions and two pandemics.

Yes, like many businesses, HUF COR has recently suffered from disrupted supply chains and a downturn in hotel and convention center construction. But as you know, those are temporary setbacks, and the future is bright, not bleak.

OpenGate's strategy of maximizing profits without regard to the social cost is a prime example of the need for the U.S. Congress to enact the Stop Wall Street Looting Act, sponsored by Wisconsin's 2nd Congressional District's Representative Mark Pocan and our U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin.

As Wisconsin United for Justice, we lift our voices together to ask you to reconsider your plan to cease production in Wisconsin.



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