Local Businesses and Coalition to Protect Overtime to Hold Press Conferences in Jackson and Ft. Gratiot on July 24

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WHAT: Coalition calls on Governor Granholm and state legislators to work cooperatively to approve House Bill 6213, legislation to protect Michigan workers' income, flexibility and freedom in workers' schedules, and help Michigan job providers remain competitive with out-of-state companies.

WHO: Local employers and employees and members of the Coalition to Protect Overtime & Other FLSA Exemptions

WHEN: Monday, July 24, 2006

WHERE: Larry's RV, 2501 Lansing Ave., Jackson, Michigan at 9:30 a.m.

Moran Automotive, 4511 24th Ave., Ft. Gratiot, Michigan at 2:30

WHY: Failing to pass remedial legislation to protect federal overtime and other Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) exemptions without immediate effect prior to the legislative summer recess would leave Michigan businesses and employees in panic mode, wondering whether they will need to eliminate jobs, reduce workers' hours or benefits, or even close their doors because they will no longer be able to compete with out-of-state competitors come fall. Without Governor Granholm's signature and legislation in place by October 1, 2006, over 370,000 Michigan jobs will be put at risk, including high-paying jobs in hospitals, the trucking industry, auto, boat and RV dealerships, retail sales, IT and many other industries.

COALITION TO PROTECT OVERTIME & OTHER FLSA EXEMPTIONS

ABC Warehouse American Society of Employers Art Van Furniture AT&T Michigan Auto Dealers of Michigan LLC Beaumont Hospitals Commuter Express **Dart Container Corporation Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce** Gardner-White Furniture J.B. Hunt Meijer

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Michigan Association of Home Builders

Michigan Association of Homes and Services for the Aging

Michigan Association of Realtors Michigan Bankers Association

Michigan Beer and Wine Wholesalers Association

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Michigan Business Professional Association

Michigan Grocers Association

Michigan Food and Beverage Association

Michigan Chamber of Commerce

Michigan Health and Hospital Association

Michigan Licensed Beverage Association

Michigan Manufacturers Association

Michigan Manufactured Housing, RV & Campground Association

Michigan Movers Association

Michigan Press Association

Michigan Railroads Association

Michigan Restaurant Association Michigan Soft Drink Association

Michigan Trucking Association

National Association of Theatre Owners
National Federation of Independent Business
Perfection Bakeries
Quicken Loans/Rock Financial
Small Business Association of Michigan
Spartan Stores
Spectrum Health
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