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Rickey Williams, Jr., Mayor of Danville c/o James Simon, Corporation Counsel, City of Danville 17 W. Main Street Danville, Illinois 61832 Mayor@cityofdanville.org Simon@cityofdanville.org

## Dear Mayor Williams:

I understand you received my letter of May 1, 2023 and that it was discussed last night in conjunction with consideration of the proposed ordinance. I further understand that the proposed ordinance that was the subject of my letter was amended and ultimately passed in a form such that the proposed ordinance is not in effect and will not take effect. I will not express any opinion as to ordinances the City Council might consider in the future except to reiterate what I said in my May 1, 2023 letter—that any attempt by the City of Danville to restrict the fundamental right to access abortion care is a violation of Illinois law and will not go unchallenged.

While I disagree with your symbolic gesture, I am pleased that the residents of Danville continue to have the full and effective ability to exercise their rights under the Reproductive Health Act.

Respectfully,

Kwame Raoul

Illinois Attorney General