



Dear Tom Gyure,

Congratulations on your impressive achievement of maintaining 50 years of continuous business operations in the state of Indiana. The Indiana Economic Development Corporation is honored to be a part of presenting to you Indiana's Half Century Award.

A presentation ceremony at the state capital will recognize new recipients biannually; the official date and time of the ceremony will be forthcoming. The purpose of this letter is to notify and congratulate you now as a member of our newest group of honorees.

Too often in business we focus on short-term challenges and forget about strategies dedicated to the long haul. During challenging times when others might have given up or cut their losses, you and your team demonstrated the courage and tenacity to continue moving forward. Nothing makes me more proud than to see the resilience so many Indiana companies have shown, while providing opportunity for our citizens to improve their lives – not to mention our economy and ultimately our future as a state.

I also want to express my ongoing commitment to continually improve a business-friendly environment that minimizes regulation and encourages free enterprise. Ultimately, you and your colleagues have created an enduring legacy of new jobs, new products and new opportunities for generations of Hoosiers. For this, we owe you a profound debt of gratitude.

On behalf of Governor Pence, the state of Indiana and its citizens, we extend heartfelt thanks and encouragement that this is not the end of 50 years of prosperity for your company, but a significant milestone along your path of success. I look forward to following your progress in the years to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Victor Smith". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Victor Smith
Indiana Secretary of Commerce