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April 2, 2015

The Honorable Mayor Mike Amyx and City Commissioners
City Hall
6 East 6th Street
Lawrence, Kansas 66044

Dear Mayor Amyx and City Commissioners:

On the Town Council agenda for April 7, 2015, the Town Council of Castle Rock, Colorado is scheduled to consider an employment agreement under which I will begin service as Town Manager on June 1, 2015. I will be providing notice and resigning my position as City Manager of Lawrence prior to that date.

Serving the citizens of this community for nearly a quarter of century has been the privilege of a lifetime.

In 1980 – 35 years ago this August - I drove up to Lawrence from Wichita to attend the University of Kansas. In November of 1990, I began my work at City Hall. Over the years, I can certainly point to a number of projects and programs in which I take pride. However, and most importantly – it is not the projects and programs – but the people and relationships that have and will mean the most to me.

There is never a good time to leave. My desire to break ground on future businesses at VenturePark, drive the completed South Lawrence Trafficway, and continue to work with our excellent staff on numerous other projects and assignments - all of these and more – certainly pull to keep me here. However, this opportunity for professional and personal reasons is the right position at the right time. Closer to some family as Sarah and I begin a life as "empty nesters" and the unique challenges of a new community provide the pull to go west. I leave confident that Lawrence is in very sound shape and its best days are definitely ahead of it.

Between now and the end of May, you will have my best efforts to ensure a smooth transition and continued focus on City Commission priorities. There will be a few opportunities to celebrate with colleagues and friends. Most importantly I will also have the opportunity to express my appreciation for the support my family and I have enjoyed during our time here. I certainly express my appreciation to this City



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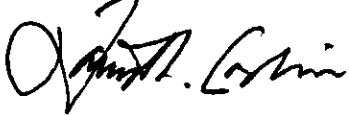
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Commission for their support and I look back proudly at the considerable improvements which we have made to the community we love. I also want to publicly thank my wife, Sarah, and our daughters Emily, Katherine, and Laura for their support and love.

It would only be appropriate to conclude my remarks with a quote, from a wiser man than any of us, Abraham Lincoln: "I like to see a man proud of the place in which he lives. I like to see a man live so that his place will be proud of him."

With the best wishes for Lawrence, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David L. Corliss". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

David L. Corliss
City Manager

c: Fellow city employees