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BASHAM, HOPGOOD JOIN OFFICIALS IN ANNOUNCING JOBS COMING TO MICHIGAN INSTEAD OF KENTUCKY OR ALABAMA

Incentives help expand business, retain jobs and attract investment

LANSING, Mich.—Senator Ray Basham (D-Taylor) and Representative Hoon-Yung Hopgood (D-Taylor) announced today that the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) has granted a Michigan-based manufacturing company incentives to expand its business in Romulus instead of locations in Kentucky or Alabama.

“This demonstrates that Michigan can successfully compete for jobs with anyone in the nation,” said Basham. “With our strong manufacturing background and highly-skilled workforce, this expansion is a perfect fit for our community and our workers.”

JCIM US, LLC supplies interior automotive components such as consoles to original equipment manufacturers like General Motors, Chrysler, Ford and Toyota. With incentives granted by MEDC, the company plans to consolidate its operations and expand facilities in Romulus, as well as Frenchtown Township, Lansing and Port Huron. The expansion is expected to create 325 new jobs and generate an additional 1,124 spin-off jobs. JCIM will make a capital investment of around \$4 million as part of the project.

“Through these initiatives to create jobs and expand businesses, we are ultimately investing in Michigan’s future,” said Hopgood. “By continuing to work together to retain and grow jobs, we can increase investment, put our people back to work and turn the economy around.”

MEDC is helping seven companies grow in Michigan and is backing two downtown brownfield redevelopment projects. Combined, the nine projects are expected to create 7,556 new jobs, retain 86 jobs and generate over \$489.2 million in new investment in the state.

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