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American Chemical Society 46<sup>th</sup> Midwest/39th Great Lakes Joint Regional Meeting St. Louis, Missouri

Greetings:

On behalf of the City of St. Louis, I am delighted to extend a warm welcome to members of the American Chemical Society attending the 46<sup>th</sup> Midwest/39th Great Lakes Joint Regional Meeting. I am pleased that St. Louis was chosen as the site to hold this important meeting.

I hope that this meeting will offer you the opportunity to discuss new ideas in advancing the mission of the American Chemical Society. Established in 1876, the American Chemical Society is the world's largest scientific society with over 160,000 members. The mission of the American Chemical Society is "to advance the broader chemistry enterprise and its practitioners for the benefit of Earth and its people." The Saint Louis Section of the American Chemical Society, established in 1907, also serves to advance this mission both locally and throughout the Midwest.

While you are here, I encourage you to take a break from your meeting and explore some of St. Louis's great restaurants, sporting events, and other attractions.

I extend my best wishes to you for a productive and enjoyable meeting.

Sincerely,

Francis G. Slay Mayor, City of St. Louis