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### **Mrvan works to find funding to complete Little Calumet Project**

INDIANAPOLIS –State Senator Frank Mrvan (D-Hammond) has made it a priority to protect Northwest Indiana homeowners by encouraging the completion of the Little Calumet River Flood Control and Recreation Project. Yesterday, Mrvan sent a letter to Governor Mitch Daniels urging his support and assistance in funding project.

Mrvan said the Little Calumet Project is a priority for the welfare of the residents of Northwest Indiana. According to the Army Corps of Engineers, when this project is completed it will prevent an average of \$11 million in flood damage each year. Additionally, nearly 10,000 houses will no longer need flood insurance, resulting in millions of dollars in savings for the homeowners living in the area.

Mrvan said economic development and prosperity would result from the completion of the project. Approximately 4,000 acres will no longer remain in the floodplain and will become available for business growth and will add much needed jobs to the area.

Mrvan also met with homeowners from Wicker Park neighborhood in Highland to discuss the need for the project. Members of the Wicker Park Manor Neighborhood Association shared pictures of last years flood damage and spoke of houses simply beyond repair. Mrvan said the Governor's attention and commitment is needed to complete the project and prevent future disasters.

For more information on Senator Mrvan, his legislative agenda or other State Senate business call 1-800-382-9467 or visit [www.senatedemocrats.in.gov](http://www.senatedemocrats.in.gov).

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**Editor's note: Please see attached letter and photo of Wicker Park Manor Neighborhood Association with Senator Frank Mrvan (D-Hammond) and Representative Mara Candelaria Reardon (D-Munster).**