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Honorable Members of the North Little Rock City Council
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Dear Aldermen:

I am unable to join you for this Monday's City Council Meeting. I have every faith in Alderman Maurice Taylor, who will serve as chairman of the Council in my absence. I also want to assure you that my staff will be at the meeting and available to address any concerns or suggestions that might arise.

A major responsibility of our City Council is direct oversight of the North Little Rock Electric Department. The complicated and dynamic structure of the current energy market demands education and familiarity with the industry and the decision makers. To help achieve those goals our electric department and City Attorney have recommended that I attend the American Public Power Association conference in Minneapolis, Minnesota. I will return on Wednesday, June 10.

I make every scheduling effort to ensure my availability each second and fourth Monday. So a conflicting event on those dates must provide a great benefit to our city in order for my attendance to even be considered. I believe this opportunity meets the standard.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Joe A. Smith
Joe A. Smith
Mayor

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