

**St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce  
Government Relations Committee  
January 23, 2009**

***2009 Chamber Legislative Priorities Identified***

**Federal Issues:**

- Tax reduction and regulatory reform.
- Card Check – Oppose the elimination of private ballot elections for organizing labor unions.
- Funding for construction-ready projects in St. Joseph region

**State Issues:**

- Tax reduction and regulatory reform.
- Adequate & Reliable Funding for PK-20 education
- Funding for priority road construction Projects: 36 Highway & Riverside interchange and I 29 & 169 interchange.

**Local Issues:**

- Renewal of existing operating levy for the school district and authorize new bonds for the construction of 2 new schools.
- Promotion of General Obligation Bonds to accommodate infrastructure needs.