

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

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Brian C. Cornell  
Chief Executive Officer  
Target Corporation  
1000 Nicollet Mall  
Minneapolis, MN 55403

Dear Mr. Cornell,

We write to request a meeting on behalf of Iowans and Illinoisans who will be significantly impacted by the closure of one of your stores in Clinton, IA. It is our hope that you will consider delaying the announced closure to allow for additional community input and time for local officials to devise solutions that may give Target incentive to stay.

Closing the Clinton, Iowa Target store would devastate the Eastern Iowa/Western Illinois region as a whole. This region encompasses communities of over 100,000 people nestled alongside the Mississippi River.

While we understand that declining sales are partially responsible for the planned closure, we want to highlight the scheduled opening of the Federal super-max prison in Thomson, Illinois. We believe that local community leaders can adequately show how the positive economic impacts that a federal prison, already estimated to be \$100 million annually for the region, and the hundreds of jobs it creates can benefit our local Target store.

We understand that Mark Vulich, the Mayor of Clinton, Iowa has requested a meeting with you that we urge you to consider. We believe this meeting would be a good first step in finding a solution that would benefit both parties and hope the local community also has a chance to be heard before any further action is taken on the Clinton, Iowa Target.

Thank you for your consideration of our request and we stand ready to assist throughout this process.

Sincerely,



Dave Loebsack  
Member of Congress



Cheri Bustos  
Member of Congress