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**GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET  
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To Governor Pritzker and Members of the General Assembly:

On behalf of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget (GOMB), we submit the fifth annual Grant Accountability and Transparency Act (GATA) report as statutorily required. GATA establishes and applies uniform, efficient and effective processes throughout the grant lifecycle in compliance with Federal Uniform Guidance (2 CFR 200). GATA is significant legislation as grants comprise approximately 66% of Illinois' general revenue budget and federal grant revenue is one of the largest single state revenue sources.

The 2019 GATA annual report estimates over \$311 million in cost avoidance / saving as a result of GATA accomplishments. By centralizing key grant management functions, utilizing automation, and designing standard frameworks, the state is able to reduce and eliminate significant duplication and redundancy. Additional annual cost avoidance and savings will be realized as GATA and the statewide grant management system are fully implemented. The partnership between this Administration, the General Assembly and GATU enables Illinois to innovate as a national leader in grant management.

Your commitment to grant management policy that improves accountability and transparency of public funds is nationally recognized and respected. With legislative and Governor's Office support, Illinois will continue to be known as a national leader in innovative grant administration. We greatly appreciate your ongoing support of statewide grant compliance.

Sincerely,

Alexis Sturm, Director

Carol Kraus, GATU Director