

**Statement from Plante Moran**

March 22, 2019

As part of Plante Moran's ongoing client acceptance process related to the proposed engagement with Harvest Bible Chapel, Plante Moran declined to pursue this engagement before we were formally hired. Given our size and level of involvement in the business and local community in the greater Chicago area, Plante Moran declined this engagement to ensure there was not any perceived lack of independence in this matter.