

City of  
**Indianapolis**  
*Gregory A. Ballard, Mayor*



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## **City of Indianapolis Represented at Investment and Trade Symposium in China**

INDIANAPOLIS – The city of Indianapolis is being represented this week at the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Zhejiang Investment & Trade Symposium (ZJITS) in Ningbo, China. Deputy Mayor Nick Weber and Indianapolis Economic Development, Inc. President and CEO Scott Miller are attending the symposium designed to create international trade opportunities.

Indianapolis is one of only three U.S. cities represented at the symposium and the only city to present at the China Overseas Investment session on Tuesday.

“Indianapolis’ participation in this investment and trade symposium isn’t just important, it’s essential,” said Mayor Greg Ballard. “International development is about more than creating new relationships; it’s also about securing ties with existing partners—and by participating in the symposium Nick and Scott are helping to ensure our partnership with China is strong and continues to grow.”

City leaders see this as an excellent opportunity for us to showcase Indianapolis to hundreds of companies seeking investment and trade opportunities outside of China. “Because of our past success here and our relationship with the city of Ningbo, we believe we have the ability to attract even more businesses to Indianapolis.” said Deputy Mayor Weber.

Ningbo is the hometown of the Goodtime Science and Technology, the company that announced it would open its U.S. headquarters here.

In addition to attending ZJITS, Weber and Miller are calling on several Chinese companies, visiting with government officials, and hosting a reception for businesses interested in investing in the U.S. They will return to Indianapolis on June 13.

### **About IEDI**

Indianapolis Economic Development, Inc. is Marion County's local economic development organization. IEDI is dedicated to providing business attraction; existing business retention and expansion; and location services in Indianapolis/Marion County, serving as a catalyst for capital investment and quality job growth. IEDI and the Greater Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce operate with a collaborative agreement to leverage resources to better meet the needs of the Indianapolis business community. IEDI is led by CEO Scott Miller and a nine-member board of directors appointed by Mayor Greg Ballard.

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