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PENSACOLA STATE COLLEGE

December 9, 2022

Mr. Dave Hoxeng, Chair Pensacola-Escambia County Promotion and Development Commission 3 West Garden Street, Suite 618 Pensacola, FL 32502

RE: Support for #291 PEDC Project LASER, Triumph Gulf Coast Grant

Dear Mr. Hoxeng:

Pensacola State College is pleased to provide this letter of support for PEDC's Project LASER. We believe locating LIFT, an Advanced Manufacturing and Talent Development National Manufacturing Innovation Institute's new Manufacturing Center of Excellence in Pensacola will be extremely important and beneficial to the entire NW Florida region.

Pensacola State College is pleased to work with PEDC, LIFT, and Space Florida to assist in providing the location for the proposed 38,750 SF mixed-use facility on the Pensacola State College main campus. We see the opportunities with LIFT as completely complimentary to our mission of talent development, which aligns with their overall objective to elevate and advance innovation and showcase the highest level of advanced manufacturing technologies and related systems and processes.

The institute will provide tremendous propensity to educate, influence, and encourage growth of next generation manufacturing businesses of all sizes throughout the NW Florida region. Grant funding from Triumph Gulf Coast will catalyze establishment of the Institute and enable LIFT to leverage its current momentum and collective partner resources to bring significantly more manufacturing research and development funding to the NW Florida. Moreover, we believe these programs will also seed the acceleration of advanced manufacturing capabilities, and place NW Florida in the forefront of emerging new manufacturing technology; thereby strengthening opportunities that generate sustainable, smarter, resilient advanced manufacturing, technology innovations and talent development in Northwest Florida.

Therefore, Pensacola State College fully supports and strongly encourages the Triumph Gulf Coast Board of Directors to approve #291 PEDC Project LASER application to locate LIFT's Advanced Manufacturing and Talent Development National Manufacturing Innovation Institute in Northwest Florida.

Sincerely,

Ed Meadows, Ed.D.

President

Pensacola State College is a member of the Florida College System

SPACE FLORIDA



January 3, 2023

Mr. Dave Hoxeng, Chair Pensacola-Escambia County Promotion and Development Commission (PEDC) 3 West Garden Street, Suite 618 Pensacola, FL 32502

RE: Support for #291 PEDC_Project LASER, Triumph Gulf Coast Grant

Dear Mr. Hoxeng:

We are pleased to provide this letter of support for PEDC's Project LASER. We believe locating LIFT, an Advanced Manufacturing and Talent Development National Manufacturing Innovation Institute's new Manufacturing Center of Excellence in Pensacola will be extremely important and beneficial to the entire northwest Florida region.

Space Florida fully supports the development of a 38,750 SF mixed-use facility on the Pensacola State College campus and recognizes the importance this opportunity will bring for advanced manufacturing and talent development throughout the region. LIFT's overall objective to elevate and advance innovation and showcase the highest level of advanced manufacturing technologies and related systems and processes will be beneficial to all manufacturing in northwest Florida.

The institute will provide tremendous propensity to educate, influence, and encourage growth of next generation manufacturing businesses and we highly encourage the Triumph Gulf Coast board, to support the project with grant funding to help catalyze establishment of the Institute, and enable LIFT to leverage its current momentum and collective partner resources to bring significantly more manufacturing research and development funding to northwest Florida. Moreover, we believe these programs will also seed the acceleration of advanced manufacturing capabilities, and place northwest Florida in the forefront of emerging new manufacturing technology; thereby strengthening opportunities that generate sustainable, smarter, resilient advanced manufacturing, technology innovations and talent development in northwest Florida.

Therefore, Space Florida fully supports and strongly encourages the Triumph Gulf Coast Board of Directors to approve #291 PEDC Project LASER application to locate LIFT's Advanced Manufacturing and Talent Development National Manufacturing Innovation Institute in Northwest Florida.

Sincerely,

Frank DiBello
President and CEO
Space Florida



Kathaleen Cole Board Chair

Marcus L. McBride, PhD Chief Executive Officer

December 11, 2022

Mr. Dave Hoxeng, Chair Pensacola-Escambia County Promotion and Development Commission (PEDC) 3 West Garden Street, Suite 618 Pensacola, FL 32502

RE: Support for #291 PEDC_Project LASER, Triumph Gulf Coast Grant

Dear Mr. Hoxeng:

CareerSource Escarosa is a nonprofit organization committed to supporting the workforce needs of Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties. We are pleased to provide this letter of support for PEDC's Project LASER. We believe locating LIFT, an Advanced Manufacturing and Talent Development National Manufacturing Innovation Institute's new Manufacturing Center of Excellence in Pensacola will be extremely important and beneficial to the entire NW Florida region.

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Therefore, CareerSource Escarosa fully supports and strongly encourages the Triumph Gulf Coast Board of Directors to approve #291 PEDC Project LASER application to locate LIFT's Advanced Manufacturing and Talent Development National Manufacturing Innovation Institute in Northwest Florida.

Respectfully,

Marcus L. McBride, PhD Chief Executive Officer





December 8, 2022

Mr. Dave Hoxeng, Chair Pensacola-Escambia County Promotion and Development Commission (PEDC) 3 West Garden Street, Suite 618 Pensacola, FL 32502

RE: Support for #291 PEDC Project LASER, Triumph Gulf Coast Grant

Dear Mr. Hoxeng:

The First Place Partners is a grass-roots, private sector organization that supports economic development in Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties. We are pleased to provide this letter of support for PEDC's Project LASER. We believe locating LIFT, an Advanced Manufacturing and Talent Development National Manufacturing Innovation Institute's new Manufacturing Center of Excellence in Pensacola will be extremely important and beneficial to the entire NW Florida region.

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Sincerely,

Ed Carson, Chair Lucy.

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