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Dear Dr. Maldonado,

On behalf of **Greater Houston Manufacturing Association (GHMA)**, we are pleased to support your application for the Economic Development Administration's Disaster Supplemental Grant. The *Talent Pipeline Demonstration Model* that you have developed will be a wonderful way to provide the instructional and skill testing facilities needed to prepare new high-skilled workers to meet high demand for Advanced Manufacturing, Construction Trades and Logistics workers in Houston. Houston Community College (HCC) has a rich history of launching programs and innovations that develop educational programs to cultivate workforce expansion. The *Talent Pipeline Demonstration Model* will be a perfect extension of these efforts.

The Houston Metropolitan Area will greatly benefit from this comprehensive program that aligns community resources, provides state-of-the-art training and fills the need for professional craftspeople in manufacturing. **GHMA** looks forward to helping HCC by enhancing the component of this program.

GHMA is committed to providing:

- **Awareness of the program to our member manufacturing organizations**
- **Posting information on web site, Facebook, and posting notices through email.**

Only the combined work of the entire community will fill the growing labor demands in the Transportation Distribution Logistics, Advanced Manufacturing, and Construction/Trades sectors, which are critical to ensure the future of Houston. We applaud the work Houston Community College has already done and enthusiastically support your efforts to change the future.

Sincerely,

Damien Garza
President
GHMA