



June 8, 2017

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RE: ERCGP Resolution / Empower Erie - Community College Plan and Application

Dear Ron,

As the current Chair of the Erie Regional Chamber & Growth Partnership (ERCGP), I am providing this letter on behalf of the ERCGP Officers and Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors met following the Empower Erie presentation on 6/8/2017 and discussed the importance of industry involvement and support of the Community College Plan. It was discussed that Industry representation and feedback will continue to be a critical component of the Plan's success. ERCGP, representing all sectors of business and industry looks forward to being actively involved in governance of the community college as well as in the courses being developed to meet the real needs of our business sectors now and in the future.

The Board has approved the following resolution:

***Resolved**, that the Erie Regional Chamber & Growth Partnership hereby acknowledges its support for the June 2017 "Proposal for the Establishment of a Public Community College in Erie County, Pennsylvania" as prepared by Empower Erie, also known as the "Erie Community College Plan and Application", and that*

*ERCGP also supports and encourages the Erie County Government to adopt a formal Erie County Resolution to approve, adopt and endorse the Erie Community College Plan and Application and establish Erie County as the local sponsor.*

*ERCGP also supports and encourages the Pennsylvania Department of Education to approve the Erie Community College Plan and application.*

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you need anything further.

Respectfully,

Marsha Marsh, Chairperson  
Board of Directors – Erie Regional Chamber and Growth Partnership

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