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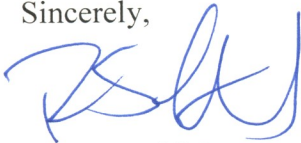
Dear Chair Howard and Chair Smith,

On behalf of the Johnston County Board of Commissioners, I am writing in support of your joint request to consolidate with the Capital Area Workforce Development Board (CAWD). The Johnston County Board of Commissioners discussed this request at their meeting on January 18, 2022 and voted unanimously in support.

As we understand, the Executive Committee of the CAWD is also in support of this request. It is of the utmost importance that citizens and businesses have the best possible access to workforce development services and this consolidation would allow for a more regional approach, which would maximize economic development opportunities.

If you require additional assistance or wish to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



R.S. "Butch" Lawter, Jr.
Chairman

Cc: Mr. Sig Hutchinson, Chair – Wake County Board of Commissioners