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Ms. Wanda Stokes
Director
Talent Investment Agency
201 North Washington Square
Lansing, MI 48913

Dear Ms. Stokes,

I would like to take this opportunity to convey my support for the Governor's Talent Investment Board (GTIB) Resolution, which was unanimously approved at the Governor's Talent Investment Board quarterly meeting on September 19, 2016.

To continue its economic momentum, Michigan must make sure its workforce is ready to compete in a global economy. Additionally, it is critical that we prepare our future talent -our students- for the skilled jobs awaiting them at thousands of Michigan employers.

The Governor's Talent Investment Board resolution calls for employers to become more involved in Michigan schools at an earlier stage promoting career awareness, internships, and apprenticeships.

I applaud the work of the Governor's Talent Investment Board as they seek to bridge the gap between Michigan's students and employers. I strongly support this resolution and urge employers, educators, counselors, and parents to work together to achieve its goals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick Snyder".

Rick Snyder
Governor