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Dear Josh:

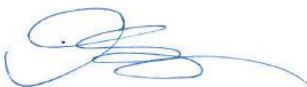
On behalf of Commerce Lexington Inc.'s economic development division, I am writing in support of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government's grant request for the Kentucky Product Development Initiative (PDI) for Legacy Business Park. Commerce Lexington recognizes the need for more shovel-ready product in Lexington and the Commonwealth. We work regularly with clients and site location consultants to find locations for all types of new businesses. Our team's greatest challenge has been and continues to be finding contiguous industrial land for business recruitment efforts.

Following Lexington's previous comprehensive plan process in 2018, a group of business leaders, City officials, representatives from the University of Kentucky and the Agricultural industry came together to find a solution to our lack of contiguous land. As a result, the City and University of Kentucky agreed to a historic solution - swapping land to form a new business park, Legacy Business Park, owned and operated by the city.

The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government is submitting a grant application to supplement the \$9.5 million awarded from the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council's distribution of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) dollars to begin infrastructure buildout at Legacy Business Park. Investing in infrastructure will give Lexington a competitive opportunity to create jobs, advance economic growth and enhance the quality of life for the region.

Our economic development team urges you to strongly consider LFUCG's request for grant funding to assist in the build out of infrastructure at Legacy Business Park. If you have any questions for our team, please don't hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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