July 13, 2012

Dr. Renu Khator, Chancellor
University of Houston System
212 E. Cullen Building
Houston, Texas 77204-2018

Re: Letter of Intent and Support for University of Houston’s initiative at University of Houston Sugar Land Campus

Dear Chancellor Khator:

Wharton County Junior College (WCJC) is pleased to support and actively participate in University of Houston’s new building on the University of Houston Campus Sugar Land. With the anticipated growth in Fort Bend County, there is a need for additional space at the UH Sugar Land Campus to accommodate new programs that will serve the interests and aspirations of the residents of the county, as well as business enterprises in the county.

In support of the University of Houston’s plan to expand its Sugar Land facilities, WCJC is committed to lease 10,000 square feet of space in the new building for use as classrooms and office space for a new Associate of Applied Science Degree program in Computer Simulation and Game Development. Beginning in fall 2012, WCJC will offer state-of-the-art career training in computer simulation and gaming that will lead to entry-level employment in positions that are opening in healthcare, law enforcement, military services, and other industries that are developing simulated training environments. The degree is also aligned with the UH System degrees. This new WCJC program is being developed in partnership with the University of Houston Victoria and the University of Houston System and is planned to be located in the new facility on the UH Sugar Land Campus.

To support the new WCJC associate degree program in computer simulation and gaming, WCJC will provide equipment and software costing approximately $300,000. These instructional items include motion capture studio equipment ($125,000), three computer classrooms to support the program ($100,000), and digital media software ($75,000).

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We believe the entire community of Fort Bend County will benefit from the University of Houston's initiative to expand its facilities at UH Sugar Land, and WCJC is pleased to be a partner in this effort.

Thank you for your continuing support of our partnership and your commitment to higher education.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

P. D. (Danny) Gertson, III
Chairman
Board of Trustees

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