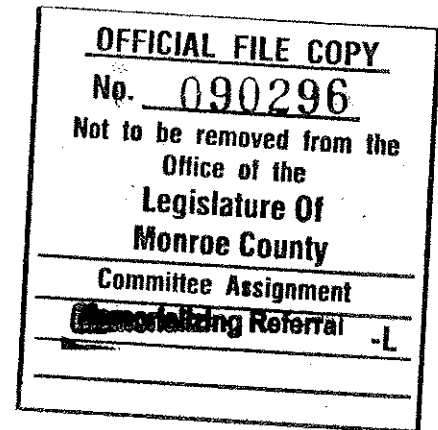


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To The Honorable
Monroe County Legislature
39 West Main Street
Rochester, New York 14614

Re: Memorializing the United States Congress to Pass and President Barack H. Obama to Sign into Law S.1614, the Community College Technology Access Act.

Honorable Legislators:

Here in Monroe County, one of our most cherished educational institutions is Monroe Community College. Providing employers with nearly one thousand educated and skilled employees a year, and sending almost 70% of their graduates to four-year institutions to earn higher degrees, MCC has been cultivating our local workforce for nearly fifty years.

Across the country, community colleges are making four-year institutions and universities, especially in the SUNY system here in New York State, more affordable and attainable to many families. More, community colleges are providing training and certification to citizens for some of the most critically important institutions of our society, including health care, child care, agriculture and farming, emergency and first responders, optical fabrication, precision machining, and automotive technology.

Senator Charles Schumer has introduced legislation, S.1614, the Community College Technology Access Act, which will provide grants to community colleges to improve the accessibility of computer labs and to provide information technology training for students and members of the public seeking to improve their computer literacy and information technology skills.

The grant would allow for the purchasing, repairing, maintaining, replacing, staffing and construction of computer equipment, computer labs, and tech support. The improvements would allow community colleges to remain technologically advanced and competitive, while also allowing them to commit resources to other areas of need. An investment now in Monroe Community College is an investment in the future wellbeing of our community as a whole.

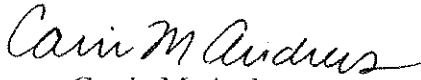


Therefore, we urge you to join us in memorializing the United States Congress and President Obama to sign into law, S.1614 the Community College Technology Access Act.

Respectfully submitted,



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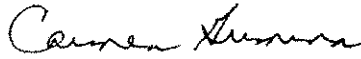
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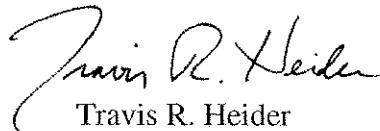
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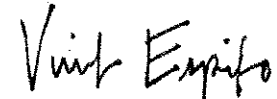
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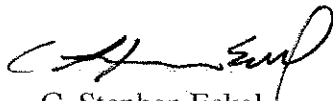
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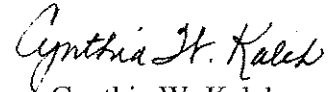
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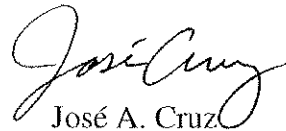
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