



July 1, 2021

Aaron Gander  
Machine Tool Instructor  
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Mr. Gander:

Gardner Denver, Inc. aka GD Energy Products would like to offer our written support for the renovation of the Sutherlands Building. Any effort to bring support to our region's manufacturing businesses now and in the future is a welcome venture.

The manufacturing industry could benefit greatly from educational opportunities and experience that lead individuals into a manufacturing career.

Thank you!

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Rodney Shubert  
Plant Manager

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# Hannibal Machine Inc

As the business owners of Hannibal Machine, Inc., we were extremely excited to hear of the possible expansion of the Vocational Technology program here in Hannibal, Missouri. We understand that a major local endowment might make this expansion possible, allowing use of a currently empty, but very viable building.

As a machine shop who has been in business for over thirty years in the area, we can see tremendous advantages for the training this expansion would bring. So many small businesses nationwide have reported in the past few years of their need for skilled workers – the exact type this program could provide. And, unlike many jobs that fluctuate from year to year, the need will only increase as the technology evolves. This type of training is a wonderful alternative to traditional college for students and adults. The jobs that the program might produce are not only in demand but also pay well.

On behalf of Hannibal Machine, I would like to take this time to state my support for the project. We feel that it would have a positive impact for students and businesses all through northeast Missouri.

Thank you  
Scott Haycraft  
Operations Manager



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May 10, 2021

To Whom it May Concern:

It has come to my attention that the Hannibal Public School system has the intention of developing an Innovation Campus. I am writing at this time to express the commitment that Hannibal-LaGrange University has in supporting the creation of the Innovation Campus. The creation of a life-long learning center will unite multiple disciplines in one location and can create opportunity for the Hannibal area that has yet to be completely realized in our community.

Hannibal-LaGrange University (HLGU) enjoys a strong relationship with the Hannibal area community as well as with the Hannibal Public School system. For many years HLGU and the Hannibal School system have partnered together to offer Dual-Credit and Early-Enrollment classes to students in both the high school as well as the Hannibal Career and Technical Center. It has been our privilege to partner with and compliment the opportunities at these two educational entities. As part of the Hannibal community, HLGU is aware of the influence and impact that the school system has. It is our honor, at HLGU, to serve together in meeting the educational needs of our area.

For many years, HLGU has served area employers with educational opportunities for their employees. Our degree completion programs, offered on campus, include academic paths that lead toward knowledge and degree completion for many area students, thus complimenting other educational entities. Realizing an area need, HLGU has recently began a new concentration in Agribusiness that is a strong example of cross curriculum.

The creation of the Innovation Campus has the potential to bring a level of collaboration to education and training that will prepare students and a workforce across multiple disciplines that is critically needed in our area and in our society. Please consider supporting the Innovation Campus and bringing the program to fruition.

Thank you for your consideration of this letter of support for the Innovation Campus in Hannibal.

Respectfully,

Ray Carty, Ed D  
Vice President for Institutional Advancement

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To: Whom it May Concern

Subject: Support for the renovation of the Sutherlands building for Hannibal Career and Technical Center

I, Dustin Hills, would like to offer my support for the expansion of Hannibal Career and Technical Center into the Sutherlands building. I believe this expansion will offer much needed assets for our local community.

As an engineering firm that specializes in industrial applications, I have seen firsthand the lack of knowledge that our community has overall in industrial maintenance, robotics, plc, cnc, and welding. These technical skills are in great need for us and our customers in the local area.

I have been involved in working with multiple community colleges in the past to establish technical training in the above areas. I was amazed to see that as a high school program, the Hannibal Career and Technical Center rivaled many of these collegiate programs. I think an opportunity for them to grow and reach more students and offer opportunities to adults as well would be great.

I would like to offer an in-kind donation to help with any curriculum development, training support, and technical support that this expansion might need. I will work with Hannibal Career and Technical Center to get a specific scope of what needs this project will generate, and pledge my time and my staff's time to ensure the success of the project. I think it's important to not just do the project, but to support it after the project is launched to make it successful.

Sincerely,

Dustin M. Hills

Owner/Controls Engineer

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July 12, 2012  
Aaron Gander  
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Dear Aaron Gander:


It is our pleasure to recommend the Innovation Campus as a future vital asset for the Northeast Missouri area. Many of the young men and women who have attended the Hannibal Career & Technical Center have received valuable employment in industries like ours. The completion of this project will provide even more opportunities for training for the future needs. We anticipate hiring future graduates.

We currently have a young man, who upon graduation, came to us as a certified welder and has been an asset to our fabrication shop. With the training he received at the Hannibal Career & Technical Center he was able to complete projects assigned to him without addition training. He has demonstrated versatility in completing all assignments. We also have four employees who graduated from your program

We have no doubt that the completion of the Innovation Campus will provide advanced training for future student who do not desire a college path.

With the approval of the Innovation Campus, we would consider in-kind donations.

If you have any questions, please connect me at 573-769-2116.

Sincerely,  
  
Andy Bross  
L. N. Bross Co.  
Owner



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April 26, 2021

To Whom It May Concern,

I recently learned that the Hannibal Public Schools is exploring an opportunity to serve as the site of an Innovation Campus that will provide workforce development across the lifelong learning continuum, including agribusiness/Ag science, health science, computer science, machine tools, welding, building trades and automotive. In addition, this opportunity includes the ability to build out a hospitality/tourism hub, criminal justice and cosmetology under one roof of an existing structure directly across from the existing High School Campus.

We are committed to doing whatever it takes to have new workplace entrants prepared to enter the workforce with the requisite knowledge, skills, abilities, and attributes needed to engage in endeavors that will be required in their respective occupations. Partnerships and alliances between educational institutions, governmental entities and employers are necessary to ensure that these new workforce entrants are sufficiently prepared to meet the challenges and opportunities they will face in the workplace.

I am writing this letter of support to express my interest in joining this group of collaborative entities who strongly believe and the willingness to participate in this type of opportunity would provide excellent opportunities for both students, future employees, and the overall workforce in Northeast Missouri.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Diane Simbro".

Diane Simbro  
Executive Director

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**Louis Riggs**  
State Representative  
District 5

April 27, 2021

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my wholehearted support for the Hannibal Public Schools system to develop an Innovation Campus. Through private sector partnerships, multiple disciplines will be united under one roof, enabling us to create a lifelong learning center. As a State Representative, I will request \$1 million to move this project forward. That is the same amount the State of Missouri contributed to another regional education center to our south a few years ago.

This program will provide students the ability to learn high demand trade and career skills before entering the workforce or a place of higher education. Upon graduation, students will have the skillsets required in the workplace from day one. This center of lifelong learning will be a regional game-changer for the Hannibal area and Northeast Missouri. This center will also build on the more than 50 years of distinguished service that the existing program has contributed to the Hannibal region. As a Hannibal High School alum, I can attest to the effectiveness of this program, since I attended classes there and have applied those lessons daily ever since.

In a fast shifting world, where new skills are constantly in demand and new types of jobs are appearing across the workforce spectrum, creating this learning center presents an opportunity to successfully prepare our students for the future by linking educational institutions, private businesses, and governmental bodies in a multidisciplinary collaboration that will bring economic vitality to our region for the next 50 years.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions please contact me at 573-751-3613 or [louis.riggs@house.mo.gov](mailto:louis.riggs@house.mo.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Louis Riggs".

Rep. Louis Riggs  
5th District

July 1, 2021

To Whom It May Concern,

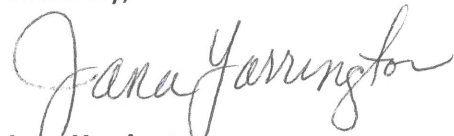
On behalf of Watlow Manufacturing, I would like to express our support of the Hannibal Career and Technical Center's renovation of the Sutherland's building in Hannibal, MO. Hannibal Career and Technical Center is a community partner and leader in business and industry training and career and technical education in the region. This expansion project will allow the Center to enhance their training to provide more opportunities for students interested in skilled labor careers in industrial maintenance, welding, machining, automation and robotics. The need for a high skilled workforce is abundant in the tristate area and access to this training will provide opportunities for both high school and adult education.

This project will boost economic development by creating more skilled workers for businesses needing these workers today and in the future. Business growth and economic development are both critical to this region. The Hannibal Career and Technical Center is committed to partnering with businesses to provide customized training through its business and industry programs as well as educating and training students in careers in high demand in the region such as manufacturing, industrial maintenance, welding, machining, automation and robotics.

I respectfully request your favorable response to the Hannibal Career and Technical Center's renovation of the Sutherlands building.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this important request and your consideration of this strategic grant application.

Sincerely,



**Jana Yarrington**

Watlow - Director of Operations