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Attention: Gregory S. Benincasa

Dear Mr. Benincasa,

It is a pleasure to write a positive letter of support of your proposal to provide construction management services to Oneida County and Mohawk Valley Community College for the Robert R. Jorgenson Athletic/Events Center. Working with you on the Information Technology Building at the Utica Campus was among the most positive experiences I had during my 24 years as president of MVCC. We faced the daunting task of building a very complex structure with three very different "programs", an exceedingly tight budget, a complex architectural team, and an inflexible deadline for completion with the beginning of a new school year.

HR Beebe served as construction manager and brought the building in on time, on budget and totally functional in every component. To this date the theater is a major asset for the College and this community, the computer labs are reliable and functional, and the classrooms are the best of any on either campus. I recommend your firm very highly for additional construction management services.

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