



May 9, 2017

Sen. Fred Girod
Rep. Paul Holvey
900 Court St. NE, H285
Salem, OR 97301

Re: Capital Construction SB 5505

Greetings, Senator Girod and Representative Holvey:

I'm writing to you on behalf of the City of Oregon City in support of the \$8 million capital construction request from Clackamas Community College for the DeJardin/Pauling Science Complex.

This spring, Oregon City launched a marketing campaign for its Beaver Creek Employment Area – 80 acres of available industrial property that is well positioned for investment, growth and development. The Beaver Creek Employment Area is a key business location for new and expanding businesses. Among the site's many advantages is the area's strategic location next to Clackamas Community College, where businesses can easily access available education and training resources and workforce ready labor.

Clackamas Community College, the City and the Oregon City Chamber of Commerce are partnering together to Put Education to Work. We celebrated with the college in April when CCC broke ground on its Industrial Technical Center, which was paid for through a bond measure and an \$8-million match from the State. This facility will allow students to train for in-demand careers and prepare them with the skills to be job-ready upon graduation.

The DeJardin/Pauling Science Complex will serve all science and allied health majors. The college's current science labs are in constant use, but are inadequate in terms of capacity and current standards for instruction.

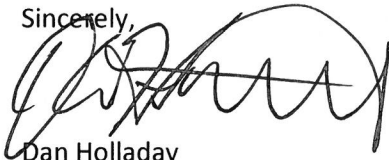
The health and science fields continue to grow, and CCC provides an affordable path for students looking to earn their four-year degrees in the fields of biology, chemistry, water/wastewater, environmental and health sciences, along with general course of non-science majors.

Oregon City incorporates both short- and long-term strategies to maintain economic strength. Clackamas Community College is one of those strategies. The college has been providing affordable education to our residents for the last 50+ years.

Please continue your support in Clackamas Community College by matching their funds with \$8 million for the DeJardin/Pauling Science Complex.

CCC's bond projects allow the college to continue providing an Education That Works and let's Oregon City Put Education to Work.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dan Holladay', written over a horizontal line.

Dan Holladay

Mayor

City of Oregon City