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Mr. Stephen Mayer  
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**Re: Support for Application to Rezone 1,689+/- acres**

**The ask is to: *Please approve the application requesting the rezoning of the subject property into the Technology Manufacturing District designation***

Dear Mr. Mayer:

One Columbus is the economic development organization for the 11-county Columbus Region. We are the JobsOhio network partner for Central Ohio and have had the pleasure of partnering with the City of New Albany on business attraction and expansion work including projects in the International Beauty Campus, Lower.com, Amgen, the data center cluster on Beech Road, and now, Intel.

Intel's proposed development is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for the State of Ohio and the Columbus Region to grow and diversify our economy. The semiconductor industry is new to the state, and to Midwest. It is the ultimate diversification of our economy, driven by the global leader that made Silicon Valley what it is today. In 50 years, the semiconductor industry reached \$500 billion in output – a number that will double in the next 10 years to \$1 trillion. Semiconductors are critical to every supply chain ranging from automotive to aerospace, and Intel's presence here will substantially enhance Ohio's place as one of the most important locations in the global economy.

Intel in Ohio is also a win for the United States. Foreign markets heavily subsidized the semiconductor industry over recent decades, resulting in U.S. market share shrinking from 40% in 1990 to 12% today. The shock to supply chains caused by the pandemic revealed the gravity of this issue for the U.S. economy, as the shortage of semiconductors is a major driver of inflation and the current shortage of consumer goods. The war in Ukraine's impact on energy markets also shows how perilous a similar situation with China and Taiwan would be, given the volume of chips manufactured in Taiwan. This project is critical not only for balancing the global supply chain, but also for U.S. defense, as Intel is a trusted domestic source of semiconductors for the military.

We acknowledge that along with its immeasurable benefit, a project of this scale brings its challenges. We commend New Albany for taking on those challenges in order to help deliver a solution to a national problem. We also know that such challenges will be met with historic investment in our area – investment that will strengthen educational and career opportunities, positively impacting the lives of residents and families.

We wish to express a great deal of gratitude to the City for your role in transforming our region's future. New Albany presented the only site in the entire State of Ohio that could meet Intel's needs. Due to the agility of New Albany and the creation of the necessary zoning district, we were able to win this project – ultimately changing the trajectory of the entire State of Ohio for generations to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matt McQuade", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Matt McQuade  
Managing Director of Business Development  
One Columbus



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March 25, 2022

Stephen Mayer  
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City of New Albany  
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**RE: Support for Application to Rezone 1,689+/- acres**

Dear Mr. Mayer and Members of the New Albany Planning Commission:

On behalf of our five organizations, and the thousands of Ohio businesses we collectively represent, we write to you today to urge the New Albany Planning Commission to approve the application requesting the rezoning of the subject property into the Technology Manufacturing District designation. This approval will allow the Intel investment to move forward.

As you know, Intel recently announced that Ohio was selected over 40 other states in landing its \$20 billion semi-conductor production facility. The Intel announcement represents the largest single private sector investment in Ohio history. The initial phase of the project is expected to create 3,000 Intel jobs and 7,000 construction jobs over the course of construction, and support tens of thousands of additional local long-term jobs across a broad ecosystem of suppliers and partners.

As representatives of Ohio's business community, we particularly want to stress the positive impact on economic growth and jobs that can be expected from this monumental project. The COVID-19 pandemic and its supply-chain disruptions, together with aggressive foreign trade practices, demonstrated to many organizations the importance of moving manufacturing capacity back to the United States from overseas; perhaps none more important than the semiconductor

industry. Domestic chip manufacturing is essential for our national security, and we are pleased Ohio is leading the way.

This investment by Intel establishes Ohio as a center for technology and innovation that will ensure economic opportunity now and into the future. Much like Honda, landing Intel will attract new businesses to our state and allow businesses already located in Ohio who serve Intel to grow. Both the construction jobs and the permanent jobs generated by Intel will create opportunity across the state, generating revenue for schools and communities alike.

Our organizations collectively applaud the collaboration that led to this milestone in our state's history, including the City of New Albany, One Columbus, the DeWine/Husted Administration, and JobsOhio. We believe the Intel investment is only the tip of the iceberg for new economic development in Ohio. Therefore, we strongly encourage this commission to move this project forward.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input on this important matter. Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Sincerely,



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Patrick J. Tiberi  
President & CEO  
Ohio Business Roundtable



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The Ohio Council of Retail Merchants



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March 29, 2022

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*SENT VIA EMAIL TO SMAYER@NEWALBANYOHIO.ORG*

Dear Mr. Mayer,

I'm writing today regarding the April 4<sup>th</sup> meeting in which the Planning Commission will consider the rezoning of approximately 1,600 acres in western Licking County contiguous to the New Albany International Business Park.

VanTrust Real Estate is currently under construction on its sixth and seventh buildings in the New Albany International Business Park, bringing our presence to over 2.5 million square feet once completed. We are proud of our collaboration with the City of New Albany that has led to the retention of growing businesses and the attraction of new businesses to the state which in turn has benefited multiple school districts and provided significant employment opportunities along the 161 corridor. VanTrust Real Estate is confident in its investment in New Albany and western Licking County because of the track record and ongoing commitment the City has to land use planning and strategic infrastructure development.

The announcement of Intel's selection of Ohio as the location of its next fabrication facility is an historical moment for our state, the region, Licking County and New Albany. Intel's presence will put Ohio on an opportunity trajectory that has yet to be experienced in our state. Technology production and the high paying jobs that accompany this industry will help retain and attract new talent, create ancillary jobs across the state and establish Ohio as a center of technology.

As a commercial developer with a presence in many markets throughout the country, VanTrust is experiencing unprecedented interest in the New Albany International Business Park. We expect market demand for high quality options in proximity to the Intel site to continue to rise, bringing even more investment and jobs to the community.

I encourage Planning Commission Members to approve the rezoning of the subject site into a Technology Manufacturing District and allow this important project to move forward.

  
Andrew Weeks  
Executive Vice President

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March 31, 2022

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**RE: The New Albany Planning Commission's consideration of the rezoning of 1600 acres into the Technology Manufacturing District Classification**

Dear Mr. Mayer,

As a resident of New Albany who has been involved in several economic transformation initiatives around the world, I respectfully request that the rezoning of 1600 acres be approved by the Planning Commission in order to secure Intel and the resulting economic development that will reenergize the Midwest.

The Midwest is home for tens of thousands of companies that contribute significantly to our economy. A large number of these companies and their products can benefit from Intel and its ecosystem of innovation and suppliers to enhance their global competitiveness. The clean technology manufacturing sector has very little presence in Ohio and the establishment of Intel fabrication facilities will act a magnet, bringing related businesses, high quality jobs and enhancements in education to prepare students for the increasing demand for technology talent in our region. All are key ingredients for establishing a semiconductors innovation district around Intel.

I see the benefits of innovation districts all over the world and can tell you how highly sought after they are for communities. They are intentional designs that create linkages across industries, education institutions, and innovative practices - all powered in part by public private partnerships.

This initiative provides Licking county with the opportunity to become a leading region globally in attracting best in class companies and talent, to be a vibrant platform for competitive skilled education, applied innovation, and entrepreneurship. Intel can be the anchor investment and driver of a vibrant technology platform that effectuates the transformation of the Midwest industrial base, uniquely positions it to lead the 4th Industrial Revolution (4IR), and enable us to reclaim our global position as the leading global manufacturing hub.

With regards,



Tariq Farwana

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