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Dear Mr. Brown,

July 22, 2020

Congratulations on choosing Marquette County for the vertical space launch command site. I know that the Michigan Aerospace Manufacturers Association (MAMA) has worked tirelessly to make Michigan a satellite manufacturing and launch hub.

It is easy to support the program that will make Michigan a space state. The proposed space-based ecosystem with both launch facilities as well as a command and control center in place and operational will create over 2,000 jobs with a total job impact to the state with LEO space enabled technology industry applications is projected at 40,000 by 2025.

MAMA is providing the needed leadership and guidance through the Michigan Launch Initiative in a three-step phased process to bring a green based, specific to LEO space, complete space ecosystem to Michigan that will serve the domestic and global demand. With a vertical integration of earth and LEO space-based assets, first and foremost the talent of individuals, engineering, prototyping, manufacturing, tooling, assemblage, launch and command and control operations, Michigan can be one of the leaders in the commercial and DOD LEO space industry.

With the integrated space resources working collaboratively to serve industries like autonomous technology, automotive, communications, medical, education and first responders, Michigan will be able to fulfill the demand for complete geographic broadband coverage, including 5G for electric vehicles anywhere in the US.

The aforementioned details are vital to our future and I am pleased to support the effort of MAMA in Michigan.

Sincerely,

Triston Cole
Majority Floor Leader
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