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Office of Governor-Elect Scott Walker
17 West Main Street, Suite 310
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Dear Governor-Elect Walker,

Congratulations on your election.

I'm writing to ask that you consider the work that I and others have been doing to ensure that Wisconsin has the skilled workforce that we need to compete in the global economy. A statement of the priorities of Industry Partnerships is attached, and signed not only by myself, but also by leaders from diverse sectors who are also committed to this new way of working together.

As I mentioned to you in our earlier meeting on this topic, like other business leaders, I'm very concerned that our pipeline for education and skills is not working the way it should. Too many students need the most basic of skills to even begin to understand critical workplace topics; and too many workers with four year degrees end up back at our technical colleges in order to develop relevant skills for the state's labor market. I'm convinced that we need to solve this problem regionally through Industry Partnerships and I'm impressed by the progress we've made toward this end.

We would like to schedule a meeting to discuss these issues, and will be in touch in order to do so.

Sincere regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. W. Sullivan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial "T" and a long, sweeping underline.

T. W. Sullivan