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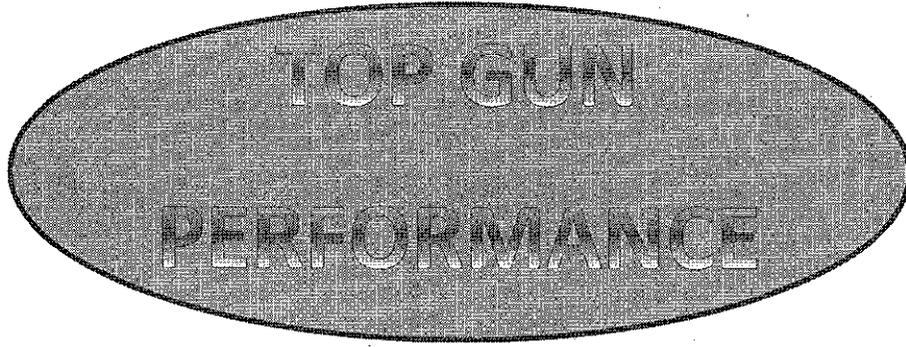
Jerry Sansom
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Respectfully Submitted,

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Wayne Owens
Service Director
Gary Smith Honda and Tim Smith Acura



May 1, 2015

Mr. Jerry Sansom
CHOICE High School and Technical Center
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Mr. Sansom:

I learned about the RESTORE Grant request to redesign the Automotive Service Technology Program at your school. As an active business person in the community, I am keenly aware of the importance of this program and keeping it functioning at the current industry standard level. I wholeheartedly support and appreciate your actions to create a cutting edge training environment that more than supports the needs of our community.

Best wishes,

David Torres

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Thank you,

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Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sean Clancy". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

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Redesign of the Automotive Service Technology Workforce Development Program

PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

The Automotive Service Technology program has been a long-standing mainstay of this career and technical training facility. Since the School's inception in September of 1975, automotive teachers have successfully trained high school students who wanted to enter some area of the automotive industry. By 1977 adult students were also being trained in an evening program. Each year teachers have provided quality instruction and created a career path that lead many directions. Now, nearly forty years later, it is clear that there are new paths that must be included in the program if it is to provide students with the knowledge base and skill set to be successful in the automotive service industry. The current needs of the industry include professional who are highly qualified to maintain the newer, more energy efficient engines in vehicles today. In order to meet these needs, it is imperative that the current program be redesigned to create a safer more environmentally conscience training space and to include tools and equipment that will build the knowledge and skill to maintain energy efficient, lower emissions engines as well as the new hybrid engines. We are in the business of education. As with any business, there is a product or service and a customer. Our customers are the business owners and industry professionals in need of a highly trained workforce pool from which to hire. Our products are the hundreds of students trained in multiple programs each year. With the recent changes in society and the call for cleaner, greener, more eco-friendly options in every area of life, the redesign of this program to include the latest technology is incredibly important.

Items included in the budget for this proposal include new equipment to replace older pieces that are creating a potentially, environmentally unsafe working condition, energy saving electronic work lights, exhaust and fluids collection systems that both improve the environment inside and outside the facility, and cut away engine trainers that allow students to learn the inner workings and repair procedures for the hybrid engines and the new fuel conserving, lower emissions gas engines. Addition of these items will result in energy savings and lower

operational costs of the program, a safer more eco-friendly training environment for teachers and both high school and adult students, and program completers who are highly trained and qualified to repair and maintain all engines both old and new.

Detailed redesign projects like this do not come to reality without the dedicated work of a talented group of professionals. This development of this project and the request for proposal of these grant funds to complete the project is the work of the CHOICE High School and Technical Center Principal, Assistant Principal, Evening Automotive Instructor, Evening Dean of Students, and a Certified Grants Specialist. The ultimate goal this school and of this project is to create a cutting edge automotive training facility that will successfully produce a superbly trained, highly qualified workforce for the automotive service technology industry.

The redesign of the Automotive Service Technology Program will not create jobs. It is a workforce development project that will produce knowledgeable, highly skilled workers for now and the future. There are more vehicles on the road today than ever, and the push to make them more environmentally safe through limiting emissions and conserving fuel gets stronger every day. Today's automotive students must be trained to work in an age-long field with new-age demands. The redesigned CHOICE High School and Technical Center Automotive Service Technology will make that happen.