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Dear North Dakota Legislators,

As president of Moore Engineering, Inc. and a member of the NDSU College of Engineering advisory board, I strongly urge you to consider fully funding a new engineering building on the NDSU campus.

NDSU has a vision for STEM education that fills a vital role in the economic success of our state and region. Engineering graduates with an entrepreneurial mindset are extremely valuable in a modern competitive environment.

NDSU's plans for a new building and revamped programming will bring its students the necessary tools and resources that will create graduates who are technically proficient, creative thinkers, and ready to produce the next generations of economic value for North Dakota. With its plans for modern lab space, collaborative work areas, hands-on fabrication tools and virtual reality studios, NDSU will be poised to lead the region in engineering education.

We are particularly encouraged by the Center for Engineering Entrepreneurship and Innovation, which will train students in the intricacies of turning ideas into marketable products and services.

Moore Engineering, Inc. was founded in 1960 and currently employs over 170 people in over a dozen offices in North Dakota and Minnesota. We are employee owned and growing. We intimately understand the value of properly trained employees ready to be productive on day one in a modern, innovative, competitive industry.

Help our state produce the types of graduates that will propel our economy to new heights by funding a world-class educational facility that will deliver the experience our students are seeking.

Thank you for your consideration and for your service to the citizens of North Dakota. Let me know if I can answer any questions or provide additional information.

Sincerely,

Kevin Bucholz, PE President