

# NDSU Civil, Construction and Environmental Engineering

## CEE Industrial Advisory Board

January 10, 2023

House Appropriations Education and Environment Subcommittee  
Representative Mike Nathe, Chair

**Re: Letter of Support for NDSU Engineering**

Dear Mr. Nathe and Committee Members:

We are writing in support of the funding request for a new engineering building at NDSU. The Industrial Advisory Board for the NDSU Civil, Construction, and Environmental Engineering Department is comprised of professionals in the industry who graduated from NDSU. The mission of the Advisory Board is to provide support for the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering (CEE) to help improve the quality of the academic, research and outreach programs.

All members of the Advisory Board have and continue to hire engineering graduates from NDSU. The facilities at NDSU have been a consistent point of concern by the national accreditation board for the college, staff, and students. The existing facilities are a limitation for attracting new students. The industry needs more talented engineers. We need the NDSU College of Engineering to have the facilities necessary to meet the needs of the state and the industry.

Thank you for your service to the state of North Dakota. We ask for your support for the NDSU College of Engineering.

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