

***Marion County Chamber of Commerce
Resolution in Support of the Construction of the
Advanced Technical Training Center in Marion County***

WHEREAS: The announcement that two Advanced Technical Training Centers will be built in the State of WV was made in 2008 and;

WHEREAS: Marion County has been identified the possible home of the Northern Center and;

WHEREAS: Locating the new facility in Marion County would attract students from throughout the region and offer a central location easily accessible by Interstate 79 and;

WHEREAS: Several suitable locations in Marion County have been found and viewed by state personnel and;

WHEREAS: The new centers will offer training in high-tech skills giving students and/or unemployed workers another alternative in education that will create job opportunities and;

WHEREAS: Numerous meetings have been held with state, county, and city officials requesting a timeline of the project and;

WHEREAS: Preliminary drawings have been completed by the State of WV and;

WHEREAS: The Marion County Chamber of Commerce has facilitated meetings between the local business leaders and elected officials and;

WHEREAS: The announcement confirming the location and timeline for construction of the new Advanced Technical Training Center in Marion County is vital and imperative for a strong economic future;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: The Marion County Chamber of Commerce encourages and supports the Governor of the State of West Virginia, the WV Legislature, and the Chancellor at WV Council for Community and Technical College Education to finalize all details, announce the location, and begin construction on the new Advanced Technical Training Center in Marion County, WV.

Wade Linger, Chairman of Board

Walter "Butch" Osborne
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