

To: Workforce Investment Board

Date: Sept 27, 2001

FROM: WIB Staff

For Action
 For Information
 Meeting Notes

SUBJECT: Letter of Support E-Commerce Program

PROPOSED MOTION: That the WIB ratify the signed letter of support.

DISCUSSION: The Workforce Investment Board has authorized the Chair to sign applications, letters of intent, letters of support, and other documents required to apply for grants when time prohibits full WIB review.

During the week of September 17-21, the WIB received a request for a letter of support concerning a grant application from Merced College and the City of Los Banos for an E-Commerce Program. The grant monies will be combined with funds from the City of Los Banos and Merced College to fund an Innovation and Technology Center. The total grant available to any one recipient is \$92,000, but it is not expected that any recipient will receive the full amount. Los Banos has pledged \$25,000 to the project. Based on the amount of the grant received, Merced College may request future funding from the WIB. The request will be to partially fund a CISCO Academy as part of the Innovation and Technology Center.

The grant application must be received by October 1, 2001. The WIB Chair was out of town when the letter required signing so the letter was signed by Andrea Baker, Director of Private Industry Training Department for Mr. Rick Osorio.

ATTACHMENT: Letter of Support