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The Honorable Michael Bloomberg
Mayor, City of New York
City Hall
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Dear Mayor Bloomberg

The New York Building Congress is pleased to support Hunter College's proposed Science and Health Professions building on Second Avenue between East 67th and East 68th Streets. The plan involves an innovative public-private partnership that offers a much-needed expansion solution for one of the top public colleges in this City and State.

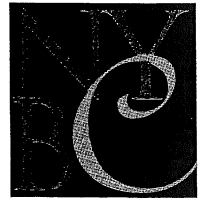
The location of Hunter's current main campus, in the scientific and medical hub of the Upper East Side of Manhattan, is crucial for the continuation of strategic partnerships that advance science and medicine and provide the best possible medical care for New Yorkers. A new public science and health professions facility in the neighborhood will add to the international renown of the mix, provide Hunter with the space and technology it requires to be an active partner and enable the convenience necessary in a field that involves frequent lab visits and time-dependent action and observation.

Construction of the new science building will create jobs and promote economic development in New York City. The Building Congress is also pleased that this proposal will unlock the capital value of the land and development rights at the Brookdale Campus located on First Avenue & 25th Street, further stimulating economic activity in New York.

With a brand new state-of-the-art building, constructed with 21st century needs in mind, Hunter will become an even greater resource for the scientific and medical community of New York City, while contributing to the advancement of the building industry. This proposal truly benefits everyone.

Sincerely,

Richard T. Anderson
President



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