Resolution of Support Endorsing Statewide Efforts to Achieve Complete to Compete Ohio

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WHEREAS, this workforce “gap” has created an urgent need to increase the number and percentage of Ohioans with a postsecondary degree, certificate or other credential of value in the marketplace; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that increasing the number of Ohioans with postsecondary credentials will result in increased career opportunities, stronger communities, a more robust tax base, a healthier economy, less reliance on public assistance, and a more competitive position in the global search for talent and investment; and

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