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**RE: Letter of Support for the Ironworkers Local 377 Apprenticeship Programs, Santa Clara Joint Apprenticeship Committee and San Francisco Joint Apprenticeship Committee**

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing this letter in support of the International Association of Bridge, Structural, Ornamental, & Reinforcing Ironworkers Local 377, Santa Clara Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee (JATC), DAS File #9271, and International Association of Bridge, Structural, Ornamental, & Reinforcing Ironworkers Local 377, San Francisco JATC, DAS file #7646. These two JATCs are industry leaders and want to support their apprentices through a "Level 1 Certificate of Achievement in Ironworking."

Having observed the diligent work and dedication demonstrated by the Ironworkers Local 377 training committees, I am impressed by their commitment to maintaining the highest standards of training and education for their apprentices. The apprenticeship programs they oversee plays a pivotal role in shaping skilled professionals who contribute significantly to the construction and infrastructure sectors.

The "Level 1 Certificate of Achievement in Ironworking" stands as a testament to the apprentices' hard work, dedication, and unwavering pursuit of excellence. It represents not only their mastery of the technical aspects of ironworking but also their dedication to honing their craft to perfection. This accomplishment underscores the quality of training and guidance provided by the Ironworkers Local 377 training committee.

By acknowledging these apprentices' achievements through the award of this certificate, you are not only recognizing their skills but also encouraging a culture of continuous learning and growth within the ironworking industry. These young professionals are poised to become the backbone of our community's development, ensuring the safety and integrity of our infrastructure for years to come.

I wholeheartedly support the recognition of the apprentices' hard-earned achievements through the "Level 1 Certificate of Achievement in Ironworking." I am confident that their dedication and skills will continue to positively impact the field of ironworking, contributing to the overall advancement of our society.

Thank you for considering this letter of support. I have immense faith in the abilities and potential of the apprentices under the guidance of Ironworkers Local 377. I eagerly anticipate their future contributions to the ironworking industry and our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Eric Rood". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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