

Date: December 7, 2023 To: Chancellor Sonya Christian, PhD Re: Motor Sports Certificate at College of Marin

Dear Dr. Christian,

I am writing you this note to share my professional insights into the need for a Motor Sports Certificate program at the College of Marin.

Our company is based at Sonoma Raceway, and has been hiring race technicians since 1991 when we started. For many years we hired directly from the Jim Russell Racing Mechanics Training Program, as did many of the other motorsports companies in this area.

That program shut down a half dozen years ago leaving an enormous void. We are constantly looking for new employees who have an understanding of our industry and basic motorsports experience. Entry level employees at World Speed have made life long careers with us, and some of our alumni have gone on to work in NASCAR, IndyCar, and other top level racing entities.

I personally am a 1994 graduate of the Jim Russell training program, and it set me up for 30 years of employment in an industry that I love. I would want this for other like minded folks.

I would be happy to be a part of the discussion or development of a new motorsports training program in California, and of course welcome any questions you may have.

Thank you,

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P.s. I do work for a multitude of motorsports entities in the area. You can review my work at <u>www.RacingPro.net</u>