



January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020

The Honorable Gretchen Whitmer  
Governor  
P.O. Box 30013  
Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Governor Whitmer,

On behalf of Stone Fox Staffing, I would like to express our appreciation for the workforce development services provided by West Michigan Works! Our company is located in Grand Rapids Michigan and is the primary staffing and private co-employment company for a family of manufacturing and distribution businesses, who focus on industrial consumables, cutting tools, abrasives, equipment and machinery. We have been in business for almost three years now.

With the help of West Michigan Works! we have been able to significantly invest in our employees by sending them to trainings that allowed growth within their positions. We were able to send 4 individuals to receive training in Supervisory Management and SMED Implementation, skillsets our team greatly needed. Adding six new members to our staff this past last year has also allowed us to reach more of our customers' needs on a daily basis. It has allowed our company to increase production, increase sales and has increased employee morale. We are incredibly thankful to both the State of Michigan and West Michigan Works! for all their assistance this past year and look forward to working with them moving forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Amanda Burns". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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