



July 30, 2025

Office of Senator Jon Ossoff  
317 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Rome Floyd Chamber of Commerce, I am writing to express my strong support for Senator Ossoff's *Skilled Workforce Act of 2025*. This legislation addresses a critical need in our region: strengthening the infrastructure and resources available to our educational partners to better prepare tomorrow's workforce.

Workforce development is a cornerstone of our Chamber's mission. Each day, we collaborate with local educators, industry leaders, and community partners to ensure our residents have access to high-demand career pathways. The challenges facing our workforce pipeline are growing, especially as our region anticipates substantial population growth in the coming years. Now more than ever, targeted investment in workforce training and education is essential.

I enthusiastically endorse this legislation. Supporting partnerships between industry and education partners is not only vital to our local workforce ecosystem—it is a strategic investment in the economic future of our community, Georgia, and the nation. The incentives proposed in this legislation would help close existing skills gaps, expand training opportunities, and better align education with the evolving needs of industry. These improvements are key to ensuring our community remains competitive, innovative, and economically vibrant.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Pam Powers-Smith", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Pam Powers-Smith  
President, Rome Floyd Chamber of Commerce