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Dear Friends:

On behalf of the Orange County Department of Education (OCDE), I wish to extend our heartfelt congratulations to the Orange County Business Council (OCBC) on the publication of its 2025 Annual Report. This report is a testament to your organization's robust commitment to fostering economic growth and educational excellence throughout Orange County.

As we gather to celebrate at your annual dinner, I would like to acknowledge the remarkable leadership of Mr. Kevin A. Haboian, who served as chair of OCBC in 2024. Under his guidance, the council has continued to be a pivotal force in driving initiatives that bridge the gap between business and education, ensuring that tomorrow's workforce is equipped with the necessary skills and knowledge.

I also welcome Ms. Rebecca Hall as the newly elected chair for 2025. We are excited about the fresh perspectives and innovative approaches Ms. Hall will bring to her role. OCDE looks forward to collaborating closely with Ms. Hall and the entire council to further our shared goals of enhancing educational and economic opportunities for all of our communities.

Thank you once again for your dedication and partnership. The OCDE values the strong relationship we have with OCBC, and we are eager to continue our work together, making a positive impact on the lives of students and families in Orange County.

Sincerely,

Dr. Stefan Bean

Orange County Superintendent of Schools