



Department of Computer Science

December 4, 2012

To Whom It May Concern:

It is my pleasure to write a letter in support of the proposed London Technology Development Centre being submitted to London City Hall.

London has a rich history of innovation and higher learning. Western is proud to be a part of that tradition. Unfortunately, London lacks the resources necessary to allow for innovative ideas to be developed in London. Individuals with innovative ideas must typically move elsewhere to become successful entrepreneurs, often have to sell their ideas early or give up on bringing their idea to fruition due to lack of funds.

The proposed London Technology Development Centre will facilitate the growth of London's IT industry and provide valuable resources to students and graduates. Such a facility makes it possible to bring Western, Fanshawe, and various community members together to develop innovative projects and technologies. The creation of such a facility would likely increase graduate retention rates in London.

In conclusion, I fully support the efforts of the London Technology Development Centre Task Force as they seek to locate the London Technology Development Centre at the London Normal School site in Wortley Village.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Hanan Lutfiyya".

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December 5, 2012

Via Email

To Whom It May Concern:

**Re: Letter of Support - London Technology Development Centre**

I am pleased to provide a letter of support for the proposed London Technology Development Centre and its suggested location in the London Normal School building in Wortley Village.

In my work providing management services to various non-profit organizations, I interact with a wide variety of people in various sectors of the economy including education and hospitality. As time progresses, I believe most of us are coming to realize the great importance technology plays in our society.

Having an organization that is dedicated to supporting start-up, technology-based enterprises would be a great asset to our community and would properly reflect the understanding that technology will only continue to grow as an important part of our economy. Supporting the proposed London Technology Development Centre at this time may well help London secure a stronger position in the Canadian economy of the future.

Through my experience working with student organizations at both the college and university levels, I see the proposed Centre as a vital facility for a community looking towards the future. It will no doubt encourage strong partnerships between our post-secondary institutions and the private sector; partnerships that will provide opportunities for our college and university students and ultimately for the London community in general.

I have known Mr. William Komer for several years now and have watched him bring several projects from the idea phase, to fruition, and to ultimate success. I have every confidence that with support from those of us in the London community, Mr. Komer will guide this project through to success.

Yours truly,

Earle Taylor  
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To Whom It May Concern:

I am pleased to have this opportunity to write a letter in support of the initiative that has been taken by William Komers for the creation of a London Technology Development Centre in the building formerly known as the London Normal School.

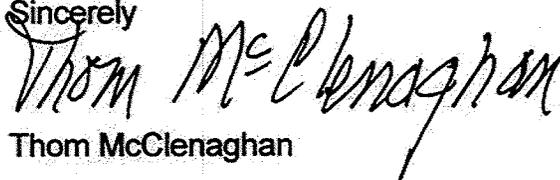
I have been resident in Old South London for all of my long life and have a deep and long standing concern about the future of the Normal School building and the block on which it is located. I attended classes there in its final year of operation as a Teachers' College. The structure is a reminder of our past and the values held by the society that created it. Every effort possible must be made to secure it for future generations to reflect upon these values and to understand the drivers that have built our City and Nation.

Having said this, I feel that it is imperative that we find a use for this property that is both compatible and affordable. To think that a structure of this age can be adequately adapted for use as a childcare facility, is indeed a pipe dream. The cost to renovate the interior to serve this purpose would be a substantial drain on the public purse and the resulting renovation would be far from ideal. It would probably exceed the cost of a purpose build building by a considerable degree.

Far more compatible relative to costs is the proposal that William Komer is putting forward. In fact, this is the perfect place for an activity such as this. It certainly fits with the historical uses of this site. Is it too late? I should think not! If we have erred in the process that has got us to this point then let's put it right!

If you have any questions about my comments please feel free to contact me by telephone at

Sincerely



Thom McClenaghan

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December 5, 2012

To Whom It May Concern:

**RE: Letter of Support for the London Technology Development Centre**

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I would like to put forward my letter of support for the proposed London Technology Development Centre at the London Normal School site.

As a development planner with many years of experience in another municipality, I have observed first-hand the enormous success and benefits that an "incubator" type of technology centre can provide for a municipality, particularly when paired with one or more higher educational facilities in the same area. The synergy that can be achieved with such a start-up project has many economic and intellectual spin-offs benefiting not only the start-ups themselves but surrounding businesses and the municipality as a whole. In addition, this particular proposal has the added benefit of providing an adaptive re-use of an existing building and utilizing existing infrastructure.

Other municipalities have supported similar developments with outstanding results. A perfect example that I am familiar with is the Langs Tannery building in the City of Kitchener (downtown) which has successfully re-adapted an otherwise obsolete industrial building to function as the impetus for a sustainable and very successful facility for start-up companies that benefit from the proximity of three educational institutions and provide business opportunities unique to Waterloo Region. The City of London has an opportunity here to help facilitate a development and provide an environment unique to the City of London and build on London's own unique strengths.

In conclusion, I believe that supporting the proposed London Technology Development Centre at the London Normal School site will benefit both the business and intellectual partners in London and help create a technology centre that will have long term benefits for the City as a whole.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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December 5, 2012

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**Delivered Via E-Mail**

Mr. William Komer

Dear Sir:

**Re: London Technology Development Centre**

We confirm that Lerners LLP is interested in seeing the foundation and development of the London Technology Development Centre. We are supportive of this initiative, as we believe it will be beneficial for the technology industry in London and the Region and it will also be beneficial for the many professional services that support new technology companies, including the legal profession, the accounting profession and business consultancy.

In addition, Lerners LLP believes that the London Technology Development Centre will be an important step forward in facilitating the advancement of the University of Western Ontario and Fanshawe College in the technology sector.

Lerners LLP is very supportive of this initiative, and we will entertain proposals in the future to consider other ways to support the initiative going forward.

I trust this is helpful for your purposes. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,



Graham C. Porter  
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December 5, 2012

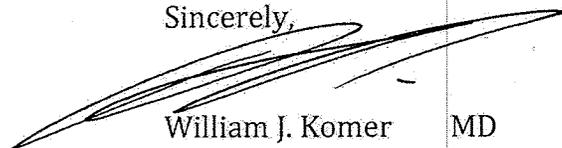
To Whom It May Concern:

**RE: London Technology Development Centre**

I support the London Technology Development Centre. The proposed facility at the London Normal School could be instrumental in helping me advance my interest in developing an individualized personal health record system.

I would consider contributing to a London Technology Development Centre Founding Donors program to fund the development of the proposed facility at the London Normal School in Wortley Village.

Sincerely,



William J. Komer MD

December 6, 2012

To Whom It May Concern:

**RE: London Technology Development Centre**

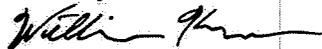
I support the London Technology Development Centre. The proposed facility at the London Normal School could be instrumental in helping GADOX Lighting accelerate our work in developing and designing new LED lighting technologies in London, Ontario. We wish to create a better alternative for retro-fit street lighting and high-bay factory lighting than what is currently on the market. We have created a new design and are in discussions with Stein Industries Engineers in London and NRC-IRAP to determine how best to develop the new product and assess the feasibility of producing part of the product in London as well as final assembly.

GADOX Lighting would consider contributing to a London Technology Development Centre through a "Community Sale" program to fund the development of the proposed facility at the London Normal School in Wortley Village. This program would be similar to Tim Horton's Camp Day. For a defined period, such as a month, GADOX Lighting could donate all profits of sales to the new facility.

This "Community Sale" could be extended to include the Lorne Ave Public School and proposed re-location of the YMCA proposal. A website could be built that would allow community members to indicate where they would like the profits from their sale to go to from a list of pre-determined community projects. It is suggested that when one project has its financial needs met, by default the new funds coming in would go to the next one with outstanding funds. The exact logistics of such a "community sale" can be worked out, this letter serves only to express the interest GADOX Lighting has in working with the City of London and the Community to effectively fundraise to build a better community in London.

There is the capacity to provide LED Lighting Products at cost to the Lorne Ave Public School with attached YMCA facility and the London Technology Development Centre located at the London Normal School. This will effectively enable the best use of fundraised dollars and provide a means to keep operating costs down on both facilities. GADOX Lighting offers a full line of products from household LED lighting to office LED lighting to warehouse LED lighting to LED street lighting. Across all of those industries there is quite a bit of potential to raise the seed capital needed to save both schools at no cost to the taxpayer from Municipal funds. This is indeed "Creative Financing" for a "Creative Project".

Sincerely,



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**To whom it may concern,**

As the CEO of London based startup, Race Roster, I would like to express my support for the creation of the London Technology Development Centre and it's proposal to be located in the London Normal School.

Race Roster was formed in November of 2011, and has since grown to an organization with eight full time employees. We provide web based registration and event management technology to the road race market.

As a London native and graduate of The Richard Ivey School of Business, I believe London is in need of a facility where business, science, engineering, law, and art students can come together to provide the necessary components for kick-starting entrepreneurial ventures. The London Technology Development Centre would satisfy this need.

As a start up, Race Roster is dependent on the talent of co-op and intern type resources, and since inception has almost exclusively hired students from The University of Waterloo's co-op program. I believe the creation of a facility like the London Technology Development Centre would create a common meeting area for entrepreneurially minded individuals and talented London based students interested in forming start up businesses. It would also create more accessibility to a local pool of talented resources, and eliminate the need for London based businesses to seek out talent from University's outside of London.

If the London Technology Development Centre were to be located at the London Normal School, Race Roster would be interested in occupying office space, as we will likely outgrow our existing space.

Please let me know if I can be of further assistance in the creation of the London Technology Development Centre, or with the motion to locate the Centre in the London Normal School.

Sincerely,

**Alex Vander Hoeven, CEO**  
Race Roster