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To Whom it May Concern,

As a member of the southern Arizona business community and The Chamber of Southern Arizona, I am writing to express my strong support for Project Blue, the proposed data center campus in the Southeast Employment and Logistics Center.

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Project Blue represents an unprecedented community investment opportunity that will benefit our entire region and addresses the unique aspects of its placement in the Sonoran Desert.

Responsible Development Practices - Project Blue demonstrates exemplary stewardship by:

- Ultimately committing to 100% renewable water resources and replenishing all consumptive losses
- Supporting Tucson's One Water 2100 plan and climate goals
- Choosing a site specifically earmarked for employment and industrial uses, away from residential areas
- Incorporating drought-tolerant landscaping and scenic design requirements

Significant Economic Impact - In the first phase of this multi-phase development, Project Blue commits:

- \$3.6 billion total capital investment over the multi-year construction period
- \$250 million in total tax revenues over 10 years, including \$60 million directly to Pima County
- 3,000 direct construction jobs during the 2026-2028 construction period
- 180 permanent, high-paying jobs with an average salary of \$64,000 annually

Strategic Infrastructure Investment - This project will fund critical infrastructure improvements that benefit the entire community, including major energy grid upgrades and a significant expansion of Tucson Water's reclaimed water system. The 18-mile "purple" pipe extension will be over-sized to enable sustainable growth throughout southeast Tucson, and the strategic path of this new system will allow existing customers using drinking water to convert to reclaimed water for their properties.

Economic Diversification - Data centers are the physical backbone of our modern economy, supporting all of Tucson's major industries, including Aerospace & Defense, Bioscience & Healthcare, Advanced Manufacturing, Financial Services, and Education & Research. This project positions southern Arizona as a leader in critical digital infrastructure.