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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to offer enthusiastic support for the "Certificate in Chemistry" program at Fresno City College. As a member of the FCC Chemistry Advisory Board, which embraces collaboration between the college and local professionals, I believe this program will ultimately provide graduates with the skills needed to compete for jobs as chemical technicians, thereby filling an overwhelming need in the Central Valley of California.

Fresno City College is ideally suited to offer this type of training to students and should be commended for their effort in problem solving and strategic foresight. The USDA-ARS will support the program by maintaining the commitment to the FCC Advisory Board and providing internship opportunities to enrolled students who are successful in the curriculum.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any additional question.

Sincerely,

Spencer S. Walse, Research Chemist

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Spencer Walse".

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