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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to show my support for the UC Makerspace initiative. The group is looking to establish a shared commercial kitchen and collaborative makerspace that will directly benefit our citizens, small businesses, and aspiring entrepreneurs. By providing access to licensed kitchen facilities and creative workspaces, this initiative addresses some of the most critical barriers facing emerging food-based and artisanal businesses: cost, access, and resources.

The shared commercial kitchen component of this project will serve as a launchpad for food entrepreneurs such as caterers, bakers, and food truck operators. Equally impactful is the makerspace, which will offer tools, equipment, and workspace for artists, tradespeople, and students.

I recognize the positive effect this initiative could have on our county and fully support the group's efforts.

Sincerely,

Randy Porter
Putnam County Mayor