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I, as director for the St. John Valley Technology Center (SJVTC), hereby advocated in support of LD144 to fund capital improvements to Career and Technical Education Centers and Regions to bolster Maine's future workforce.

This infusion of money would tremendously assist a CTE center like ours as we are dependent on state subsidies and additional allocations to provide the necessary equipment required to train our student learners with state of the art equipment along with industry best practices. The utilization of such resources guarantees student learners are being educated and trained to the level of skill sets required to enter the workforce or higher learning. It is vitally important for small rural CTE centers to obtain such assistance as it provides equity within our programming that mirrors other CTE centers across the state regardless of size or location.

It is my hope that you will see that your approval of LD144 shall assist to improve the education and training of all our student learners who are the leaders of tomorrow.

Respectfully Submitted,

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