

February 22, 2024

The Honorable Mike Johnson
Speaker
U.S House of Representatives
The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Hakeem Jeffries
Minority Leader
U.S. House of Representatives
H-204, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Virginia Foxx
Chairwoman
House Education and Workforce Committee
2462 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Bobby Scott
Ranking Member
House Education and Workforce Committee
2328 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Speaker Johnson, Leader Jeffries, Chairwoman Foxx and Ranking Member Scott:

On behalf of Career Education Colleges and Universities and our more than 1,100 campuses and affiliate members across North America, I am writing to wholeheartedly endorse the Bipartisan Workforce Pell Grant Act scheduled for House consideration next week. We congratulate Chairwoman Foxx and Ranking Member Scott on their leadership in bringing forward this bipartisan bill, creating a significant benefit for students.

Adding the Workforce Pell Grant to the list of financial aid options available to students will allow them to choose the educational setting and career path that matches their interests and skill set. It will also contribute to solving the labor shortages across many important professions, particularly in the skilled trades that are so important to America's workforce. By including strict accountability measures that apply to all schools in all sectors, the bill ensures that only the highest quality schools will qualify. CECU has long supported accountability measures that are fair and provide equal protection to students in every sector of higher education. We support this legislation and encourage all House members to support it.

Sincerely,



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