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Mr. Wilfred Marshall
Economic Development Representative
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Dear Mr. Marshall:

The purpose of this letter is to express my support for the new wet lab incubator currently being developed at UCI Research Park known as University Lab Partners.

We are a clinical stage biopharmaceutical company dedicated to the development of novel therapeutics for cancer and autoimmune diseases. Based on personal experience, I believe there is a definite lack of available wet lab facilities in Orange County which is necessary to facilitate a company's early-stage initial formation and future growth. There is also a shortage of trained workers in Orange County who have experience working in a lab environment from both established and early-stage companies.

Our firm has growth plans that require the hiring of new skilled employees in the pharmaceutical and biotech industry. I believe the University Lab Partners is ideally situated to provide training and experience for many graduates and prepare them for employment in companies like Bioniz Therapeutics. Just to provide a perspective of our future hiring needs, we are forecasting recruiting 3-5 experienced employees from biotechnology sector per year in the next 10 years.

In summary, University Lab Partners is addressing a serious need in the Orange County ecosystem and we support its mission.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nazli Azimi".

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