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To Whom it May Concern,

I would like to request information on the AMTech Consortia and how to be involved in the effort. I just returned from IMX (Interactive Manufacturing Experience) in Las Vegas where keynote Michael Molnar introduced the acronyms AMP and AMTech. The manufacturing community is very excited about the implications of such ventures and we want to do our part to help.

I believe the statistics that show within 15 years most of the leaders in manufacturing will be retired and there are no replacements. We desperately need to revive the manufacturing at the middle and high school levels. Given the technology and complexity of today's manufacturing environment, our nations young people need the opportunity to develop a passion for work, again. We are currently losing this drive at an alarming rate.

Any information you could provide would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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