## TUSCOLA COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter in reference to Omni Energy Partners. The Tuscola district became aware of Omni as we were looking for options on how to renovate our existing facilities. We conducted a Request For Proposal to identify potential partners. Our district ended up selecting Omni Energy Partners, and I for one am very glad we did.

Tuscola CUSD #301 services the Tuscola community with K-12 facilities. The district includes an elementary building, a middle school building, and a high school building. We currently have about 950 students and 110 faculty and staff personnel. The high school and middle school buildings are both over 70 years old and had not been updated or renovated during their existence.

Our district needed some direction on where to focus and how to proceed. Empowering students to achieve their utmost potential has consistently ranked as a top priority for the Tuscola CUSD 301 school district. Omni facilitated in-depth stakeholder input gathering and developed a comprehensive 5-year district plan. That effort enabled an initial project specifically focused on advancing STEAM initiatives, addressing energy services, and executing much-needed renovations in general areas.

The district was so pleased with the project and the partnership that we moved into a second phase that included adding air conditioning to both the high school and middle school, as well as renovating all interior spaces of the high school. Athletic field improvements were also completed.

OEP has been a key partner to our District. They helped unify a vision for a path forward. They had a project manager onsite every day who worked for us. I could go on and on about how successful our partnership has been and the great work that has been accomplished. I am available to discuss the project and the partnership with Omni if that would be beneficial.

Sincerely,

Gary Alexander, Superintendent

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