



November 16, 2009

Gary Oertli  
South Seattle Community College  
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Dear Gary:

On behalf of the West Seattle Chamber of Commerce, allow me to say how delighted we are to learn of the proposed gift from Steve and Sharon Huling to benefit the new automotive building at the PSCIE center at South Seattle Community College (SSCC).

Steve was for many years a key player in the growth of the business community here in West Seattle and the Huling's generosity toward their community is very well known. Steve has been a long term supporter of our local West Seattle Chamber and we are proud of the part he has played.

A new building such as this made possible by a gift from Steve and Sharon Huling provides SSCC the perfect opportunity to raise its profile as a provider of quality automotive training, and to further enhance its connection with industry. The West Seattle Chamber is pleased to observe this continued development of SSCC's recognition as a partner to industry. We share with you a firm belief in the importance and value of programs aimed to develop a strong, well-trained workforce as a part of the future of region-wide industrial strength.

The Huling's represent a long-standing commitment in the West Seattle Peninsula to the health of both business and education, and we are delighted to learn of their generous offer.

The West Seattle Chamber would like to suggest that the building be named in honor of Steve and Sharon Huling, for all that he has meant over so many years to the Chamber, the business community of West Seattle, and to South Seattle Community College.

Sincerely,

Patricia Mullen  
President/CEO  
West Seattle Chamber of Commerce