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Queens Chamber Applauds Cornell-Technion selection

The Queens Chamber of Commerce applauds the selection of the Cornell-Technion bid for an applied science campus at Roosevelt Island.

Early in the selection process the Queens Chamber sent a letter to the Mayor in support of the Cornell-Technion application.

“The Cornell-Technion bid was the only submission which included a plan for incubator space for start-up businesses in Western Queens, in addition to faculty and student housing” said Jack Friedman, Queens Chamber Executive Director. “We believe this development will further spur the development of a high-tech sector in Western Queens. We’re a natural to be the home to a high-tech community. The Queens Chamber of Commerce looks forward to meeting with Cornell and Technion to discuss ways to further become engaged and helpful in satisfying their expansion needs.”

The Queens Chamber of Commerce represents thousands of businesses and firms of all sizes that do business from and/ or in our vibrant borough. On behalf of its 1,200 members, collectively employing 500,000 residents of Queens County, the Chamber through its programs and advocacy, works to promote the general welfare of the Borough of Queens and to foster its commerce.

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[Editor's Note: Today's Crains Insider reported the Queens Chamber of Commerce as one of the “Tech campus decision” winners, stating: “The prospect of tech startups in western Queens will give the borough's image an Ivy League, high-tech lift.”]