October 26, 2018

Council President Ruben Ramos, Jr.
City of Hoboken
Office of the City Clerk
94 Washington Street
Hoboken, NJ 07030

Re: Stevens Institute of Technology - Request for 10 Saturday Work Days, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Gianforte Family Academic Center, Sixth and Hudson Streets

Dear Council President Ramos,

Please accept this request for 10 Saturday work days for the hours of 9 a.m.—5 p.m. associated with the construction of the Gianforte Family Academic Center at Sixth and Hudson Streets. The intent is to proceed with construction activities over 10 consecutive Saturdays, from November 10, 2018 through January 12, 2019; however, we ask for a flexible end date to account for circumstances beyond our control.

We respectfully ask the Hoboken City Council to consider granting Stevens these weekend work days in order to make up for lost time, which includes some portions of the previously granted Saturday work periods. Unfortunately, a variety of extreme weather conditions caused suspension of construction on a number of days, including days on which heat indices rose to 100°F, heavy rain conditions, and lightning.

In the hopes of mitigating the impact of Saturday work on neighbors, we propose to work 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., instead of 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Construction activities will primarily be related to the installation of exterior wall elements such as metal panel, concrete masonry units, curtainwall, brickwork, and exterior framing. In addition, we propose that the Saturday work times would be used for crane picks (when other trades cannot work on site due to safety concerns) for the setting of air handling units, the chiller, and the emergency generator. Lastly, work related to excavation of road and site openings for utilities installation and drainage and detention systems would also be performed on these days, as this activity would prevent other trades from working on the site.

The approval for this Saturday work would be greatly appreciated to help Stevens meet the anticipated July 2019 opening date. Meeting this date is critical to the start of our 2019-20 academic year. We will continue to work with our contractor, Gilbane Building Company, to
ensure that the quality of life for our neighbors is protected to the greatest extent possible and in alignment with the approved Noise Mitigation Plan.

Thank you for considering this request. Please do not hesitate to contact me at rmaffia@stevens.edu or on my mobile phone at 646-823-6194 for additional information.

Sincerely,

Robert Maffia
Vice President for Facilities and Campus Operations