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Dear fellow member of Friends of Jefferson Lab,

By now you have probably heard the news if you were unable to attend the announcement yesterday, that Jefferson Lab was awarded the High Performance Data Facility hub by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).

The addition of this asset to Hampton Roads and Virginia is monumental and the impact it will have over the years to come will be significant. I want to thank you for your support and for lending your name to our group. Just as it was with the Lab's initial attempt in winning the Electron Ion Collider, this application was highly competitive among all the national labs.

This time we were successful!

The community support demonstrated by our organization had a substantial impact on DOE, as well as our elected officials. Thanks to our efforts, the support from our Congressional delegation, Governor Youngkin, the General Assembly and the City of Newport News was incredible. I believe we were an important ingredient to the successful outcome.

So again, thank you for the role you played in this important win for our community.

Alan S. Witt

Chair, Friends of Jefferson Lab