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Dear Friends:



On behalf of the citizens of our great city, I am pleased to welcome you to Cleveland for the International Symposium on Flexible Automation. I hope you will take this opportunity to experience our warm Cleveland hospitality and all the amenities and fun of this five-time All-American city.

Currently, there is an enormous amount of capital being invested in Cleveland – from a new Global Center for Health Innovation and the Cleveland Convention Center to a redeveloped lakefront area. Also, the region is home to four world-class healthcare institutions, 80+ biomedical companies and four higher education institutions dedicated to health and technology education, research, and workforce training.

Cleveland, located on the beautiful shores of Lake Erie, is a vibrant and growing city with a rich history, world-class attractions and a vast array of arts and culture to experience. Our city is home to a unique tapestry of people and offers 36 unique neighborhoods with more than 77 different cultural groups. This diversity can be celebrated across the city at places like the West Side Market in Ohio City, Murray Hill in Little Italy, Asia Plaza in AsiaTown or the Waterloo Arts and Entertainment District in the Collinwood neighborhood.

From the famous Playhouse Square Theater District, to the energy of Progressive Field, FirstEnergy Stadium and Quicken Loans Arena, Cleveland is full of excitement. Home of venues like the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum, Greater Cleveland Aquarium and JACK Casino, as well as unique dining experiences and nightlife in the downtown districts of East Fourth Street, the Warehouse District and the Flats; Cleveland surely has something you will love.

Once again, welcome! I hope you enjoy all that we have to offer and get to share in the experiences that are uniquely Cleveland.

Frank G. Jackson, Mayor

Sincerely