



March 17, 2023

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my absolute support for the Blackstone Valley Visitors Center. I am the owner of the building, where the visitor center resides; and have a lot of information about the importance of such a facility for the local community and the tourism industry.

The BVCC provides an important service to those who wish to learn more about the area and its attractions. This center offers a wealth of information about historical, cultural, and recreational opportunities in the local area.

Furthermore, the center attracts tourists boosting the local economy, and showcasing the unique qualities of the Blackstone Valley and local area. This facility has also become a hub for community events, boasts an art gallery, has festivals, and exhibitions, promoting pride among the local residents of Rhode Island. There are even times when the center becomes a warming center, for the public, during cold and inclement weather.

I urge you to continue supporting the Blackstone Valley Visitors Center, recognizing its vital role in promoting local tourism, and community spirit.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Baker", written in a cursive style.

Michael Baker, President & CEO