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Dear Dr. Hakim:

I am pleased that the City of Philadelphia will host Temple University’s 2010 Mayor’s Technology Summit on October 4-5. This year’s Summit, called The Digital City, will focus on the role of technology in promoting government efficiency and transparency, environmental sustainability, economic development, and public safety.

The 2010 Mayor’s Technology Summit - the 6th to be organized by Temple University’s Department of Economics and the Fox School of Business and the first to be hosted in Philadelphia - builds on a legacy of collaboration among mayors and city leaders to share what works and develop new ideas. With every American city challenged by the current economic downturn, this event will provide an opportunity for mayors throughout the country to join together with CIO’s from major urban centers and private sector leaders to discuss how we can effectively use technology to meet the key challenges facing cities.

We are excited to welcome this year’s Summit to Philadelphia and are thrilled to have our city’s rich history provide the backdrop for this important discussion of the role technology must play in shaping the future of cities and governments.

I look forward to working together to ensure a successful summit.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Nutter
Mayor

cc: Allan Frank