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Welcome

INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
2020 LEADERSHIP SUMMIT
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On behalf of Pasco County, I am honored to welcome you to the International Economic Development Council's 2020 Leadership Summit. We are proud to host the premier worldwide organization for economic development here in Tampa Bay. I hope you have the opportunity to explore the many dining, shopping, recreational, and entertainment options available here on the west coast of Florida.

Pasco County is rapidly growing and developing, so we are continually preparing for what comes next. Pasco County development, such as Connected City featuring the Nation's First Crystal Lagoon, are looking to the future of economic development and are in tune with this year's conference theme, "*Social Impact: The Next Wave in Economic Development.*"

The Connected City development features homes with the first and only residential environment with up to an incredible 1 Gigabit of speed throughout the neighborhoods and available inside every home. This exclusive technology sets the framework for Connected City and will boast an environment of Smart Homes, Smart Businesses and the most advanced schools, hospitals, libraries and commerce imaginable.

In Pasco County our government leaders work cooperatively with the business community and residents to balance economic growth and job creation, with planned growth that protects the environment and preserves Pasco's beautiful green space. The resulting quality of life and a supportive environment for business and industry has helped Pasco County become one of the top 40 fastest growing counties in the United States.

Our collaboration with neighboring counties continues to strengthen our public and private partnerships and help our region grow and flourish to new heights.

Thank you for your commitment to the future of economic development and all you do to support your local economies. Enjoy all that Tampa Bay has to offer!

Sincerely,

Mike Wells
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