

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

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Jeffrey Bezos  
Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Officer  
Amazon.com  
410 Terry Ave. N  
Seattle, WA 98109

Dear Mr. Bezos:

As members of the Atlanta Congressional Delegation, we write to you today encouraging Amazon to bring its next headquarters to the greater metro area of Atlanta, Georgia. The metro Atlanta area satisfies all the requirements your company listed as being critical for your new headquarters locations. As the Members of Congress who represent the region, we are in a unique position to illustrate why Atlanta would be a perfect fit for Amazon.

Our region is home to one of the most highly educated, highly skilled, and diverse workforces in the country. Not only does our city have one of the nation's top computer science undergraduate programs, the region was recently ranked as one of the top five markets in the nation for tech jobs. As Members of Congress, we often hear that companies are having trouble filling their job vacancies because they cannot find candidates with the right set of skills or experience. Amazon would not have this problem in Atlanta. In April 2017, Atlanta's metro area had the highest rate of job growth over the past year, beating out the nation's other top 12 metro areas. Georgia is consistently ranked as one of the top states to do business because of our business-friendly environment. Many companies are also eager to partner with Georgia's colleges and universities to supply the workforce they need. Atlanta has the third highest proportion of people over age 25 with a bachelor's degree, trailing only Washington, D.C. and Seattle. Due to these factors and others, 26 Fortune 1000 companies have headquartered in the greater Atlanta area.

The greater Atlanta area would also be ready to meet Amazon employees' needs when it comes to infrastructure. Since 1998, the Atlanta airport has had more passenger traffic than any other airport in the world. The airport is also a hub for one of our country's premier airlines. As Atlanta area Members of Congress, we benefit from frequent flights to Washington, D.C. and direct flights all over the world. Our constituents also demand a mix of rail transit systems and highways to make for a friendly commute. Elected officials at every level of government make investment in public transportation a priority, the most recent example being a \$2.5 billion cash infusion to our city's rail and bus service.

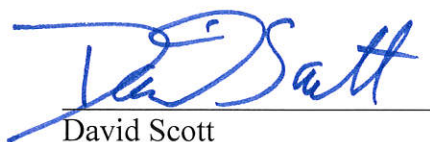
Atlanta also compares to America's biggest cities as a hotbed for the arts, diversity, culture, music and entertainment. Despite having so much to offer, Atlanta still has one of the lowest costs of living out of the 12 largest metro areas in the nation. Atlanta's close proximity to the Georgia's 63 state parks and 15 national sites also means family getaways to the great outdoors are usually minutes away from downtown Atlanta. And for sports fans, teams from every major

professional and college league call Atlanta home. A string of recently finished sports stadiums also means major professional and college sports championships will be held in our city in the next few years.

Lastly, we hope this bipartisan letter serves as a clear example of our delegation's shared commitment to work together and advocate for what is good for Georgia's economy. Georgians expect more from us, and that is why we are proud of our numerous bipartisan efforts to advocate for our constituents. Most recently, we submitted a bipartisan request to the Administration to provide greater federal support for Georgia given the devastation of Hurricane Irma.

We understand that Governor Nathan Deal and his office will be taking the lead on sending Amazon an official proposal for Atlanta, and we are in full support of his efforts and stand ready to help. We look forward to continued discussions with you as you begin your search for a new headquarters and hope for the reasons outlined above you decide to make Georgia your next home.

Sincerely,



David Scott  
Member of Congress



Rob Woodall  
Member of Congress



Hank Johnson  
Member of Congress



Karen Handel  
Member of Congress