



Dear Friends, Colleagues, and Supporters:

After two years as CEO and Executive Director of The Edge Connection, I have asked our Board of Directors to accept my resignation effective September 23, 2015. It has been my honor to lead such an impactful and worthwhile organization and I am proud of what we have accomplished over the past two years, which include, among others, enriching and expanding programs, incorporating best practices in entrepreneurial (micro and small business) development, and, perhaps most importantly, listening and responding the needs of those we serve.

Today, I am pleased to say I will be leaving a solid, growing organization that is poised for continued success as a community leader leveraging micro and small development to promote both individual and community-wide economic success. I have enjoyed leading this vibrant and life-changing organization and I will depart with the greatest respect for my amazing team. It is a foolish leader who claims the accomplishments of their organization as their own as no leader's accomplishments can be made alone. The achievements that have been made over these past two years are attributed to a committed team of steadfast, skilled individuals who came together to work relentlessly for a common goal - - to make a difference in the lives of others.

I extend my deepest gratitude to my team, our board of directors, board of advisors, Kennesaw State University, funders, partners, corporate supporters and volunteers. While we lead we must at times follow, and while we teach we must also learn. You have all taught me a great deal about civic duty, service and the meaning of community. It has been my sincere honor to serve as the CEO & Executive Director of The Edge Connection.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terri ElHaddaoui", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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