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Ken Simonson Remarks

Hello and thank you for joining us today. My name is Ken Simonson and I am the chief economist for the Associated General Contractors of America. With me today are Allison Scott, Autodesk's Director of Construction Customer Experience and Industry Advocacy; LaTasha McCall, the President of LM2 Construction & Consulting, LLC in Lee's Summit, Missouri; Stephen Sines, vice president of operations



more than half (51 percent) of firms reporting they are engaged with a training program, at high schools, colleges, or career and technical education programs.

- The survey also reflects how critical construction technology is to modern construction operations. Eightyseven percent of firms agree that their employees need to possess digital technology skills to be successful. And while few candidates possess all the skills firms want, nearly twothirds of responding firms say at least half the people they are hiring possess the technology skills they need. This is a strong indicator of the larger digitization trend taking hold in construction and shows that firms should continue to upskill digital nomads – those who came up in the industry without these tools – while also attracting digital natives, those who have been using connected technology since its inception.

The labor shortage in the construction industry will only get more dire as the current workforce retires. Our customers co

