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The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
Room H-307
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Fayette County Airport Authority master plan update for Fiscal Year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Fayette County Airport Authority located at 988 Sky Drive, Lemont Furnace, PA 15456.

The funding, totaling \$1.5 million, would be used to determine the best of two alternatives to extend the runway, allow for an in-depth Benefit-Cost Analysis to be conducted, and provide for environmental reviews to be completed.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and will ensure the airport can meet increased demand for additional air transportation across Fayette County, which cannot be accommodated absent a runway extension to 5,500 feet. According to a 2018 study, 23 additional aircraft types would use the Connellsville Airport if the runway were extended. The survey also concluded that the increase in jet activity will result in 600 additional annual operations in the critical B-II aircraft category

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Very respectfully,

Guy Reschenthaler
Member of Congress