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# United States Senate

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Brooke Chapman, Associate Director  
Small Community Air Service Department - Room W86-307  
Office of Aviation Analysis  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Ave., SE  
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Ms. Chapman:

I write in support of the Missoula International Airport's application for a Small Community Air Service Development (SCASD) grant to enhance air service at the Missoula International Airport. These funds would be used for risk abatement in the form of a revenue guarantee to the air carrier.

Increased air service would benefit Missoula and the surrounding communities by improving access and affordability to air travel. The Missoula International Airport plays an important role in northwest Montana's economy and provides vital air service for a number of nearby communities. This grant would strengthen the services they provide.

Thank you for your attention to this application. If I can provide any additional information, do not hesitate to contact me. Please inform my office of the eventual decision on this application.

Sincerely,



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United States Senator

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