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# United States Senate

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Dear Airline CEOs:

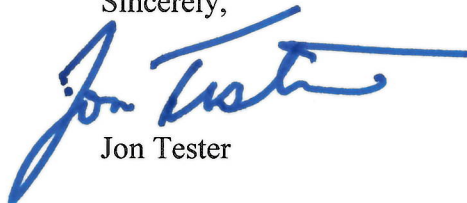
Last night the University of Montana Grizzlies defeated North Dakota State University in the Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) semi-finals. With this hard-fought victory, the University of Montana advances to the FCS National Championship game on January 7th in the Dallas, Texas area. Go Griz!

I write you today because many Montanans need access to affordable air service to travel to Dallas on the weekend of January 7th. With the recent success of Montana State University making it to the National Championship in 2021, we learned that existing air service to Montana communities is insufficient to handle the increased demand the weekend of the championship game. That's why I ask that your airlines immediately explore options to increase service the weekend of January 7, 2024.

As a member of the Senate Commerce Committee and a lead author of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, I've worked to ensure that Montana airports are well equipped to take on additional flights. I am confident Montana airport directors will work with you to add flights to accommodate the additional demand to Dallas.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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