

March 16, 2023

The Honorable Elissa A. Slotkin Michigan's 7th Congressional District 315 West Allegan Street Suite #207 Lansing, MI 48933

Re: Terminal Project Funding Request for Capital Region International Airport (LAN) – Congressionally Directed Spending Request Letter of Support

Dear Congresswoman Slotkin,

I am writing to express our strong support for the Capital Region Airport Authority's (CRAA) FY2024 congressionally directed spending request for the terminal project at the Capital Region International Airport (LAN). This is a critical and needed infrastructure investment for both the region and the state, and this project will help address necessary upgrades at LAN that are required to improve functionality, accessibility, energy efficiency, and sustainability.

The terminal building at LAN was originally constructed in 1959 and is one of the oldest (if not the oldest) passenger terminal buildings in the state of Michigan. As an important economic engine for the Lansing region and the state of Michigan as a whole, a significant investment at LAN is an important infrastructure investment that will benefit the community in numerous ways. The airport supports a wide range of industries, including tourism, manufacturing, cargo and agriculture, among others. In addition, the airport provides access to air transportation for both business and leisure travelers, which is essential for the continued growth and development of the region.

The terminal project initial phase will include the design, which will address several critical needs, including improving functionality and layout, increasing energy efficiency and accessibility, improving passenger safety and security, and enhancing the overall passenger experience.

In addition to its economic importance, LAN is a critical piece of our state's transportation infrastructure. The airport serves numerous airlines and as a regional cargo hub, providing connectivity for our state's businesses and residents. The terminal project will help to sure that the airport continues to meet the needs of our growing state.



We strongly urge you to support the CRAA's terminal project funding request for LAN. The project will help to drive economic growth, passenger safety and security, and ensure that the airport remains a vital piece of Michigan's transportation infrastructure.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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