



April 22, 2022

The Honorable Sam Graves
1135 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

RE: This letter is regarding community project funding request for the reconstruction of runway 17/35 at the Cameron Memorial Airport in Cameron, Missouri.

Dear Congressman Graves,

I am submitting this letter in support and for the request of funding for the community project for this program to reconstruct runway 17/35 at the Cameron Memorial Airport. I own and base 4 aircraft at the Cameron Memorial Airport (KEZZ). The aircraft that I operate are important to my profession as a commercial pilot and the airport provides a good location to operate these aircraft out of.

Cameron Memorial Airport has been a benefit for the community of Cameron providing the infrastructure for businesses in the Cameron area to operate the aircraft component of their business. We hope that new business would be attracted to the area with a good infrastructure plan dedicated to Cameron Memorial Airport. The Cameron Memorial Airport and its employees and services provide a vital access to the city and to thousands of visitors that arrive into the Cameron Memorial Airport every year.

Runway 17/35 is the only runway at the Cameron Memorial Airport. The runway is experiencing deterioration. If funds could be provided for reconstructing the runway, this would allow continued ongoing business with airport services for many years to come. With funding in place to administer the desired project to reconstruct runway 17/35, we could eliminate the present runway deterioration concerns and preserve the economic impact at the airport and the service that it provides to our region.

I strongly support the project to reconstruct runway 17/35 at the Cameron Memorial Airport and hope that you would prioritize this project and the funding required for the fiscal year 2023.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely, *John S. Barton, III, D.O., LTC, MC, SFS, USAF (ret.)*

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