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The Honorable Kay Granger
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H-305, United States Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 for the Mountain Empire Airport (MKJ) East End Hangar Development project in fiscal year 2024. The funding would be used for construction of five hangars on prepared sites along the terminal taxiway, east of the terminal building and terminal parking apron.

Sponsoring this project is Smyth Wythe Airport Commission, with offices located at 8223 Lee Highway, Rural Retreat, VA 24368.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the general aviation community that the Mountain Empire Airport serves currently has an unfulfilled demand for aircraft storage capacity. The Smyth Wythe Airport Commission has received multiple inquiries regarding the availability of storage hangars and is working diligently to develop facilities to meet the need.

This project has a Federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in 49 U.S.C. 47100 et seq.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

H. MORGAN GRIFFITH
Member of Congress