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To Whom It May Concern:

As President of the Board of Trustees of the Elgin Independent School District and as the District's Superintendent of Schools, we are writing this letter to express support for the Central Texas Airport project. We also want to urge other entities to join us in providing as much assistance as possible to Mr. Carpenter and his associates as they work to bring this dream to reality. Our legislators and other elected officials should recognize the terrific economic impact that this project will have on all of Central Texas with little or no cost to our taxpayers.

The creation of thousands of private sector jobs, many of them requiring advanced skills, training and college degrees will change the demographics of this area. Some 70% of the children currently attending Elgin schools are identified as low-income. The stimulation to the economy and the opportunities available to our population through the Airport Project will dramatically change the lives of thousands of our residents. Our School District and many others in this region are facing extremely serious issues related to finance. The State is in the midst of a budget crisis of unprecedented proportions. The creation of new taxable property measured in the hundreds of millions of dollars will provide every taxing entity in Bastrop County with significant revenue at a time of desperate need.

Join us in active support of the Central Texas Airport project. We can play a part in leading our State and our nation in recovering from the current economic difficulties.

Sincerely,

Byron Mitchell, President Elgin Independent School District

Board of Education

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