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President and Chief Executive Officer

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To the New Economy and Quality of Life Committee:

I am sorry that I am unable to personally be with you today, and have asked that the following statement be read on my behalf.

As an introduction, I am the President and CEO of Pentastar Aviation, located in Waterford, Michigan. We are a Fixed Based Operation, employing 225 professionals. We provide total managed aircraft services such as maintenance, charters, aircraft interchange programs, brokerage and catering.

I would like the Committee to know that we are firmly in support of HB 4929 and HB 4930. For companies such as ours to compete in today's economy, we need a level playing field in all respects. These two bills will help create the same tax environment that 26 other states already have in place. They would allow Michigan companies to attract more of this business to our state, and create the jobs which come with the work.

I ask for your support in passing these two bills as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rick Maloney".

Rick Maloney
President & CEO