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The Honorable Norman Mineta  
Secretary  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
400 Seventh Street, S. W.  
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Public service in these times of great uncertainty must be very difficult. We at Hamilton Precision Metals, Inc. appreciate your dedicated leadership of the Department of Transportation during these difficult times.

Hamilton Precision Metals, Inc. is one of several remaining companies in Lancaster, Pennsylvania with origins going back to the Hamilton Watch Company. We are proud of our heritage and proud that Lancaster County is the second fastest growing county in Pennsylvania with over 480,000 residents and 234,000 employees in over 11,000 companies.

The growth that we are experiencing makes it crucial that we maintain continued air access to and from Lancaster County. Without air access, it will be difficult to maintain the competitiveness we have achieved.

I urge you to support continued air access to and from Lancaster County. Your time and consideration of the Lancaster community is greatly appreciated. If you need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (717) 569-7061.

Sincerely yours,

Barry A. Brandt  
President

CC: The Honorable Arlen Specter United States Senate Federal Building 228 Walnut Street, Room 1159 Harrisburg, PA 17101	The Honorable Rick Santorum United States Senate 333 Market Street Harrisburg, PA 17101	The Honorable Joseph Pitts Unites States Representative Lancaster County Courthouse 50 North Duke Street Lancaster, PA 17602-2805
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