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The Honorable Doug LaMalfa
United States Congressman
408 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C., 20515

Subject: Support for Simpson University's Request for Aviation Degree Program Funding

Dear Congressman LaMalfa:

The Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors is writing to express strong support of Simpson University's funding request to assist in the creation of new Bachelor degrees in Aviation and Aviation Management. This initiative is not only a crucial step towards meeting the growing demand for skilled professionals in the aviation industry but also promises to have a profound impact on our regional community.

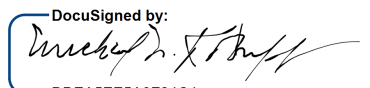
The introduction of the Aviation and Aviation Management program at Simpson University would address a significant need in our community. With the demand for airline and commercial pilots projected to increase steadily over the next decade, there is a pressing need to equip our workforce with the necessary skills and qualifications to meet this demand. The program's focus on both Professional Flight and Aviation Management tracks ensures that graduates will be well-prepared to pursue diverse career opportunities within the aviation sector.

Furthermore, the establishment of this program aligns perfectly with the unique advantages offered by our region. Redding, California, with its abundant sunshine and favorable climate, provides an ideal environment for flight training. By leveraging these natural advantages and combining them with Simpson University's commitment to academic excellence and Christian values, we have a remarkable opportunity to cultivate a new generation of critically competent aviation professionals of deep character.

The projected outcomes of this funding request are significant. By providing support for the critical flight simulators and computer hardware associated with developing and implementing the program, we can ensure that Simpson University has the resources necessary to offer high-quality education and training in Aviation Science.

We urge you to give serious consideration to Simpson University's funding request for the Aviation Science program. By investing in this initiative, we have the opportunity to strengthen our regional economy, support workforce development, and empower individuals to pursue meaningful and rewarding careers in the aviation industry.

Sincerely,

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