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Hello Wilsonville City,

Please record this letter in support of the Aurora Airport expansion.

Thanks you,
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Dear City of Wilsonville,

Hello, we are home owners and business owners in our great community of Wilsonville.

Thank you for taking the time to look into the planned 1000-foot runway lengthening improvement at the Aurora Airport.

Please register my/our strong support for this runway lengthening and for the substantial increase in safety it will provide to the aircraft operating off the Aurora Airport and to the surrounding areas.

On Aurora Airport we own a hangar, an airplane and use the Aurora Airport for both pleasure and business. Our airplane takes us places we would never have the time to visit by car or commercial airlines. Rather than spending hours traveling to major airports and waiting in lines we can go to a trade show in Vegas in four hours, door to door. Or we visit our grandson and family in Cashmere Washington in an hour rather than 5 plus road hours. We by-the-way do this at 24 MPG, a pretty small footprint on the ecology.

We don't understand any reason why not to lengthen the runway. With the expansion to the South it would pattern air traffic even further away from the North. If I-5 traffic is a concern, the extra jobs the expansion would provide to Wilsonville residents would be traveling opposing of the heavy commuter traffic. (But Aurora as a whole is really such a small percentage of the traffic I-5 sees as it services travelers to/from Mexico and Canada)

Speaking of jobs. We see firsthand and benefit from good paying employment on the Aurora Airport, both sales in our store and so many coming daily for lunch and other needs. Adding additional space at the airport to attract even more employers seems to be a win/win for us all.

Thank you.

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