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Hon. Mayor Mark D. Boughton
Hon. Members of the Common Council
155 Deer Hill Avenue
Danbury, CT 06810

Re: Danbury Municipal Airport Acquisition of Property
Funding of Acquisitions/Consultant Fees

Dear Mayor and Council:

In April and July 2007 respectively (Grenier and Wooster et al.) you authorized the acquisition of several parcels of property adjacent to the Airport for purposes of maintaining adequate runway approach zone clearance, together with such additional and accessory costs as may be required to do so.

Among the elements permitting the proper completion of this process was the commissioning and preparation of a set of appraisals for all properties involved. The appraisals have now been completed, and the City's consultant, HTA Associates, Inc., together with others, needs to process the information and proceed with steps necessary to speedily acquire the properties.

In order to proceed, we need to ask you to authorize an expenditure of up to \$321,000.00 that will include the balance of the cost of the property acquisitions as well as ongoing consultant costs as described (the ongoing consultant and related costs for the next phase are estimated at \$50,000.00). As we had indicated to you in earlier correspondence, it is fully expected that most of the funds requested and expended for purposes of the runway project will be reimbursed to the City once HTA and the Airport Administrator file grant applications with the FAA for such reimbursement. Unfortunately, that can occur, in this case, only subsequent to securing the funding for these acquisitions.

Therefore, and based on the above, kindly consider approving the expenditure of these funds, subject to necessary certification, in order that this process to safeguard and improve the Airport may proceed in a timely fashion.

Please do not hesitate to call this office in the event you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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