March 2, 2016

Dear Committee Members:

It is an honor and pleasure to write a letter in support of the Quinter Airport Development project. The Gove County Healthcare Endowment Foundation has been very instrumental in recognizing projects for the Gove County Medical Center (GCMC) that will improve healthcare in Gove County and the surrounding regions. GCMC is a Critical Access Hospital and serves a large rural area.

The Quinter Airport project would significantly decrease the amount of time it would take to transfer a patient in critical condition to a larger facility equipped with specialists trained to treat such conditions and increase the chance of survival for the patient.

We strongly support the sales tax exemption and property tax exemption House Bills and we sincerely hope that the Gove County Healthcare Endowment Foundation will be granted the exemptions.

Sincerely,

Gove County Medical Center Board of Trustees:

Rex Albin, Chairman

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