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Dear Ms. Fornatto:

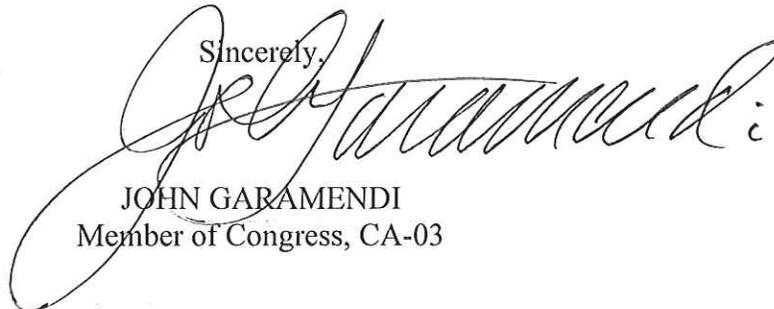
Recently I had the opportunity to visit with Kirk Hawkins, the CEO of ICON Aircraft Company. Kirk and his team were in my district discussing the potential benefits and economic impact to the Nut Tree Airport, the city of Vacaville and the region if ICON relocates their aircraft production and flight training facilities to Vacaville.

Kirk was highly complementary of the FAA's new light sport regulatory reforms. His briefing highlighted the burgeoning market that has arisen from light sport and the invigoration of general aviation as a result. He also paid particular attention to the safety aspects of his aircraft, which I was pleased to hear.

It is my understanding ICON and the FAA are working closely on the company's proposed improvements to Nut Tree Airport and that these construction activities would be privately funded. ICON was very appreciative of the cooperation they were receiving from many levels within the FAA. I would like to offer my support and encouragement for the concepts as they were described to me.

I am pleased to learn of the private investment in public assets which could create significant job growth in aviation along with providing much needed economic benefits to my district. Thank you for working closely with ICON. If my office can be of assistance on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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The Honorable John Garamendi  
House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Garamendi:

Thank you for your letter supporting ICON Aircraft Company's (ICON) proposed development at Nut Tree Airport.

I met with Mr. Kirk Hawkins in December 2012 and like you, believe this project is a great public private partnership. Our San Francisco Airports District Office (ADO) is working closely with the airport and ICON staff on this important aviation project.

Again, thank you for your interest and support for development at the airport.

If you or your staff need further assistance, please contact Roderick D. Hall, Assistant Administrator for Government and Industry Affairs, at (202) 267-3277.

Sincerely,

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