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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my strong support for House Bill 1612. The tragic and unnecessary losses of John Hauser and Sam McGuire highlight the urgent need for this legislation.

Pilots face extraordinary mental and physical stresses that are unlike those experienced by most individuals in their daily lives. It is imperative that they have access to the proper mental health and wellness resources to navigate these challenges effectively.

I believe this bill is a crucial step toward providing these highly skilled professionals with the support they need, ultimately helping to prevent future tragedies. Pilots are one of our nation's most valuable assets, and ensuring their well-being is not only a matter of safety but also one of compassion for their families and loved ones. Everyone should have confidence that their family members and friends will return home safely at the end of the day.

Thank you for considering this important measure.

Best regards,

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