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The Honorable Tom Wolf, Governor
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
508 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Re: Support for Additional Pennsylvanian Line Service

Dear Governor Wolf,

As you know, the communities in western Pennsylvania served by Amtrak's Pennsylvanian line are exploring the benefits of increased passenger rail service between Pittsburgh and Harrisburg. Johnstown is currently served by only one stop in each direction, which makes daily round trips to Pittsburgh or Harrisburg impossible for residents of Cambria County.

While conducting a recent update to the County's Long Range Transportation Plan, we have heard from many Cambria County residents, organizations and businesses about the importance of additional train service. Being able to make daily round trips to Pittsburgh and Harrisburg would have a very positive impact on the local economy. Increased service would also aid efforts to revitalize the Johnstown Train Station, where a multimodal grant is currently being implemented to renovate the historic station. And taking cars off of the road is an environmental benefit on several levels.

At its most recent meeting, the Cambria County Planning Commission reaffirmed its support of increased passenger rail service between Pittsburgh and Harrisburg through the authorization of this letter. Additionally, increased passenger rail service is called for in the Cambria County Comprehensive Plan. We appreciate your consideration and support on this issue, and look forward to working to make this project a reality.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "E. Imhoff".

Ethan Imhoff, AICP
Executive Director