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On Behalf Of:
Committee: Senate Committee On Education
Measure: SB482

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Dear members of the Oregon Legislature:

I am writing this letter of support to request your vote in favor of House Bill 482. I represent the voters of Wasco County, specifically The Dalles, Oregon. I serve as President of The Dalles City Council and I sit on the Mid-Columbia Regional Airport Board. On addition, I am a 43 year retired teacher, public school administrator and professor that worked in the schools of Washington and Oregon. I was twice recognized as the Vocational/Technology “Principal of the Year” for the State of Washington and once for “Principal of the Year.” I believe that “hands-on” training for students remain a top priority to offer young students seeking a life-long career path in addition to a comprehensive curriculum. Support of this measure will provide:

- FAA-certified training in Airframe & Powerplant (Part 147 A&P) aviation maintenance technician training realizing that there is an acute regional and national shortage of aviation mechanics.
- CGCC is one of only three A&P community college programs in Oregon, and the only one east of the Cascades in Oregon. The closest in Washington is at Moses Lake.
- Administrative oversight based in The Dalles, Oregon through the Columbia Gorge Community College.
- An opportunity for students to prepare for a high-paid, essential career path.

For these, and many other reasons, I urg you to support this bill and vote yea for it’s passage.

My best regards,
Timothy J. McGlothlin, President
The Dalles City Council