April 14, 2022

The Honorable Adam Smith  
Chairman  
Committee on Armed Services  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Mike Rogers  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Armed Services  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Smith and Ranking Member Rogers:

I am requesting funding for the Camp Garfield Unpaved Assault Runway Construction in Fiscal Year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Youngstown Air Reserve Station, located at 3976 King-Graves Road, Vienna, OH 44473.

The funding would be used for improving training capabilities at Camp James A. Garfield (formerly Camp Ravenna), which is an Ohio Army National Guard (OANG) training site located in Portage and Trumbull counties. The installation consists of approximately 21,000 acres with various small arms weapons ranges and permanent facilities to support individual and collective training events for both weekend and annual training. An unpaved assault runway would allow additional seasonal scheduled use by entire units who could train for the assault certification and other maneuvers at the facility. Enhancing the long-term usability of the facility is a fundamental goal of this request. Investments in expanding the footprint and training resources at Camp Garfield will enable it to become an economic driver for Northeast Ohio, beyond its current impact of approximately $30 million annually.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Bill Johnson  
Member of Congress