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Dear Friends:

I am writing to you asking for your support of the South Carolina Historic Aviation Foundation. This group has been created for the laudable purpose of preserving the valuable contributions citizens of South Carolina have made to the history of flight. To that end, they have acquired a B-25 airplane which is the last remaining significant artifact of the Columbia Army Airfield's effort to train B-25 pilots.

The South Carolina Historic Aviation Foundation has begun efforts to restore and showcase this plane for future generations. Their goals are ambitious and they need our help. As Boeing begins the next chapter of our state's aviation story with the 787, the B-25 is an important part of that story that Boeing builds on. The B-25 also is an important part of the story about World War II and the heroes who fought that war. I would hope that you would be willing to support this worthy endeavor. I believe it is important to preserve our history in part so that those who gave all on behalf of this state and nation will be remembered by those they left behind.

The Medal of Honor Museum on the USS Yorktown features a timeless quote by Abraham Lincoln that is applicable here: "*Any nation that does not honor its heroes will not long endure.*" That message encapsulates why the effort to restore the B-25 is so important for our state and for our nation.

With warmest personal regards and many thanks, I am

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Glenn F. McConnell".

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