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November 12, 2025

The Honorable Patrick J. Fuchs, Chairman
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

RE: Support for Union Pacific and Norfolk Southern Merger

Dear Chairman Fuchs,

This letter is in strong support for the proposed merger between Union Pacific and Norfolk Southern railroads.

Freight rail is an economic engine for our state's economy, safely moving goods that power our industries, supporting agriculture, and connecting our communities to markets throughout the nation and beyond our borders. Norfolk Southern has long been an essential transportation partner, providing efficient, reliable and cost-effective service.

This proposed merger will create the first transcontinental railroad in the United States. It will strengthen our economy because it will strengthen our rail network and deliver tangible benefits to shippers, consumers and communities through improved service reliability, reduced transit times, and expanded reach to new markets.

Therefore, I commend Norfolk Southern for being directly instrumental in making Western New York a better place to live and work. I wish them continued success with this new endeavor.

Please accept my best wishes. Do not hesitate to contact me if I may be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of George M. Borrello in blue ink.
George M. Borrello
Senator, 57th District

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