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July 25, 2018

Dear Constituents:

It has come to my attention that CamTran, the Cambria County Transit Authority, recently changed the destinations to which senior citizens can travel at no cost through the shared ride program. I understand that several popular destinations are no longer included. **Please be advised that neither my office nor the state Department of Transportation were involved in this decision.** 

Although CamTran receives state funding to defray the cost of this shared-ride program, my office confirmed with PennDOT that **CamTran made the decision on its own to change some of its destinations as of July 1, 2018.** PennDOT further noted that while it verifies that the shared ride program serves only eligible riders, local transit agencies set their own routes, schedules and destinations.

I hope this serves to clarify some of the recent confusion surrounding these changes. For further information on this matter, please contact CamTran at 814-471-6601 or the county commissioners' office at 814-472-1606.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding a state-related matter, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Thomas Chernisky President Cambria County Board of Commissioners 200 South Center St. Ebensburg, PA 15931

Dear Commissioner Chernisky:

It has come to my attention that CamTran has drastically cut bus services for seniors by limiting the shared ride program's destinations. I am requesting that CamTran fully restore these bus services for seniors immediately.

By eliminating travel to and from several very popular locations that seniors in our region have long enjoyed visiting – such as the Flight 93 National Memorial – you are hampering the quality of life for seniors in Cambria County.

My office has received numerous complaints regarding these changes and, as president commissioner, it is your responsibility to oversee that the county transit authority provides the services our seniors deserve.

I believe a full restoration by CamTran of its shared ride program's destinations is in the best interest of our entire region, especially for those seniors who have come to rely on this service to meet all of their transportation needs.

Sincerely,

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July 25, 2018

Ms. Rose Lucey-Noll Executive Director Cambria County Transit Authority 502 Maple Ave. Johnstown, PA 15901

Dear Ms. Lucey-Noll:

It has come to my attention that CamTran has drastically cut bus services for seniors by limiting the shared ride program's destinations. I am requesting that CamTran fully restore these bus services for seniors immediately.

By eliminating travel to and from several very popular locations that seniors in our region have long enjoyed visiting – such as the Flight 93 National Memorial – CamTran is hampering the quality of life for seniors in Cambria County.

My office has received numerous complaints regarding these changes and it is my sincere hope that CamTran restores the services that seniors deserve.

I believe a full restoration by CamTran of its shared ride program's destinations is in the best interest of our entire region, especially for those seniors who have come to rely on this service to meet all of their transportation needs.

Sincerely

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