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To Whom It May Concern:

It is my understanding that the Nicholson Heritage Association is seeking to renovate the former Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad's (DL&W) Nicholson Station. I believe this effort by the Association is an exciting opportunity for revitalization and growth in the town of Nicholson, and I support the organization's endeavors.

Built in 1849 by a predecessor of DL&W, the Nicholson Station was the first station built on the Scranton, PA to Great Bend, PA line. Throughout the years, the station has been utilized in a variety of ways. It began as a place to house and feed transient workers, eventually incorporating the local post office and offering the first telephone service in Northeastern Pennsylvania. The location served its final purpose as a stop for passenger and freight services. Now, 165 years later, the efforts of the Nicholson Heritage Association to restore and utilize the Nicholson Station as a community center where residents and visitors can gather are to be commended.

Railroads are a vital component of our nation's transportation system. As a member of the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, I recognize the historical importance of Nicholson Station and support the efforts of the Nicholson Heritage Association to preserve this piece of transportation history.

Thank you for your kind attention to my request.

Very Truly Yours,

Lou Barletta  
Member of Congress  
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