

## United States Senate

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Dear Airline CEOs:

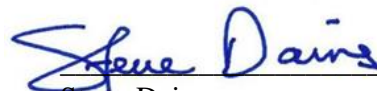
Earlier today, in front of a sold-out home crowd, the Montana State University Bobcats took down the University of South Dakota Coyotes in the NCAA Division I Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) semifinals. After their first-ever undefeated regular season, led by Butte, America's own "Touchdown Tommy" Mellott, the No. 1 seed Bobcats are on their way to the FCS National Championship Game on Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup> in Frisco, Texas.

As you can imagine, the success of this year's team has Bobcat Nation excited and eager to cheer their team on to victory in-person. Unfortunately, current air service options to Dallas from Montana in the days leading up to the game are limited and liable to sell out quickly. That is why I am asking that your airlines work to increase service to and from Montana for the big game.

Earlier this year, I worked to secure critical support for Montana's airports and the traveling public in the FAA Reauthorization Act. As a result, Montana's airports are equipped and ready to meet the challenge of any additional flights. By increasing access to affordable air service, you will be giving Bobcat fans of all ages the chance to witness history. The last time MSU won a national championship in football was the year I graduated from Montana State. As a proud alumnus, I hope all fans will be able to take part in this special moment with the team.

Thank you for your consideration and Go Cats Go!

Sincerely,



Steve Daines  
United States Senator