Washington, DC - Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) today announced that the Joseph Y. Resnick Airport in Ellenville has been awarded a $128,345 federal grant through the U.S Department of Transportation to help improve the safety of one of its runways.

"These federal funds will provide for a much-needed analysis of a runway to assist pilots flying into the airport," Hinchey said. "These funds will make this regional airport safer and more accessible, which will help contribute to economic growth in the area."

The funds allocated to the Joseph Y. Resnick Airport are for a runway end survey to examine obstructions in support of the installation of a Localizer Performance with Vertical Guidance (LPV). The LPV system will provide increased accessibility to pilots by providing vertical guidance, utilizing current technology such as GPS.