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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Committee on Appropriations H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Aviation Career and Education (ACE) Initiative Building Construction Project in Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is England Airpark, located at 1611 Arnold Drive, Alexandria, LA 71303.

The funding would be used to demolish a portion of the old engine maintenance facility and build a new maintenance shop and classroom facilities, which would be the site of the Aviation Career and Education (ACE) Initiative at England Airpark in partnership with LSU-A and CLTCC.

This project is a good use of taxpayer funding as it will serve as an economic development driver by developing a facility for a regional workforce program to meet a critical industry shortage of pilots and mechanics. The influx of new aviation mechanics and pilots will benefit employers in the district as well as throughout Louisiana and the nation.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(4).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

I request you give this project every consideration, consistent with all rules and regulations. Thank you for your attention to this request. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Julia Letlow, Ph.D.

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