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May 10, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
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 \$10,000,000 for the Taxiway "J" Reconstruction project in Fiscal Year 2026 (FY26). The entity to receive funding for this project is the Raleigh-Durham Airport Authority, located at 1000 Trade Drive, P.O. Box 80001, RDU Airport, NC 27623. The funding would be used to reconstruct the pavement of the currently deteriorating Taxiway "J" and provide a new taxiway surface that will last for several decades. Pavement deterioration has accelerated over the past year and this taxiway is now a priority for replacement.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will further minimize the likelihood of aircraft damage. The replacement of Taxiway "J" will allow a critical link between the parallel commercial runways at Raleigh-Durham International Airport (RDU) to be maintained and provide continued access to the north cargo apron.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 49 U.S.C. 47100 et seq.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Valerie P. Foushee
MEMBER OF CONGRESS