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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the New Hangar and Apron Development Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Chennault International Airport Authority, located at 3650 Sen. J. Bennett Johnston Ave., Lake Charles, LA 70615-6949. The funding would be used for the design, site work, and construction of the aircraft apron. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the development of the apron will increase economic development and generate new jobs across South Louisiana. This endeavor not only contributes to higher quality jobs for the local workforce but also plays a pivotal role in diversifying Louisiana's economy, fostering long-term economic growth and sustainability.

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.

Respectfully,

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