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The Honorable Tom Cole Chair House Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Brunswick's Airport Fire Station in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Glynn County Board of Commissioners, located at 1725 Reynolds Street, Suite 300, Brunswick, Georgia 31520.

The funding would be used to replace the Airport Rescue and Fire Fighting Facility (ARFF) at Brunswick Golden Isles Airport to meet FAA standards and local requirements. The facility, known as Glynn County Fire Station 5, provides first response aircraft rescue and firefighting service to the airport and to the surrounding community as a joint use-facility. The facility maintains an Index A Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Index. The facility is equipped and prepared for an upgrade to Index B in anticipation of a change in aircraft planned by the air carrier.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because The public-facing exterior of the 35year-old building was remodeled concurrently with the adjacent passenger terminal renovation and expansion in 2005. However, there was insufficient funding at that time to renovate and repair the interior areas. Deficiencies of Station 5 include failing concrete floor in the ARFF vehicle garage, inadequate garage door dimensions for current ARFF equipment, deficiencies in building systems (M/E/P/HVAC), and code compliance issues.

This application seeks funding for construction of a new ARFF facility to meet FAA standards and local requirements. The proposed ARFF facility location is to the west of the passenger terminal, and adjacent to the air carrier ramp. The location provides improved access to the airfield for emergencies and is consistent with the location shown on the Airport Master Plan.

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,

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Earl L. "Buddy" Carter Member of Congress