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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-305, the Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth HOB  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Houston Spaceport at Ellington Airport (EFD) Enterprise Shuttle Boulevard Extension Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity receiving funding for this project is the City of Houston/Houston Airports, located at 16930 John F. Kennedy Blvd, Houston, TX 77032. The funding would be used for the planning, design, and construction of Enterprise Shuttle Blvd to State Highway 3 (SH3) in Houston, Texas. The project will promote the safe movement of industrial traffic flows from the Spaceport Center to NASA and the Houston Ship Channel, where large aerospace parts and equipment, fabricated and pieced together, are transported safely to NASA or shipped via the Houston Ship Channel to the NASA launch site in Cape Canaveral, Florida. Aerospace vehicles will in the future be transported to Spaceport and NASA outside of the dense residential communities of Clear Lake, Bay Knoll, Pine Brook, and Brookwood in the southeast Houston region. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Enterprise Shuttle Boulevard Extension at Ellington Airport will support the continued growth of the Houston Spaceport and its expanding partnership with NASA's Johnson Space Center—both key economic drivers for Texas' 36th Congressional District and the Gulf Coast region. As aerospace manufacturing and testing increase at the Spaceport, large components and equipment must be transported between the Spaceport, NASA facilities, and maritime shipping routes through the Houston Ship Channel for launch operations at Kennedy Space Center.

Currently, oversized industrial traffic often travels through nearby residential neighborhoods, including Clear Lake, Bay Knoll, Pine Brook, and Brookwood. Extending Enterprise Shuttle Boulevard to State Highway 3 will provide a direct industrial route, improving safety, reducing congestion in residential areas, and protecting local residents' quality of life.

This project represents a responsible use of taxpayer dollars by strengthening infrastructure that supports high-wage aerospace jobs, economic growth, and America's leadership in commercial spaceflight.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian Babin". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned to the left of a vertical line.

Brian Babin, D.D.S.

Member of Congress