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The Honorable Tom Cole Chair Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Key West International Airport Main Terminal Building Expansion Project in Fiscal Year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Key West International Airport located at 3491 South Roosevelt Boulevard, Key West, Florida 33040.

The funding would be used to modernize and expand the airport's ticketing and check-in facilities, enhancing operational efficiency, passenger experience, and overall airport capacity. The Main Terminal Building Project will involve an expansion and modernization to the existing ticketing hall, as well as modifications to existing infrastructure to improve passenger flow. Key Components of the project include ticketing hall expansion, baggage handling and screening enhancements, improved passenger circulation and accessibility, technological and security improvements, and resiliency features for South Florida. This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds as the airport serves a wide array of residents and tourists and continues to grow. It is essential to ensuring Key West International Airport remains functional, efficient, competitive, and safe.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with 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,

Congressman Carlos A. Gimenez Florida's 28th Congressional District