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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 Rehabilitate Runway 27 Engineered Material Arresting System (EMAS) at Key West International Airport Project in Fiscal Year 2027.

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 for the rehabilitation of the Runway 27 EMAS which will include the removal of the aged arresting system materials, restore the smoothness of the overrun pavement, and reinstall new EMAS materials. This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will enhance safety at EYW and will support the continued safe operations of commercial and general aviation activity that serve the community.

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