

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

September 10, 2024

The Honorable Michael G. Whitaker
Administrator
Federal Aviation Administration
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Re: FAA-ARP-BIL-G-24-002 Airport Terminal Program Grant

Dear Administrator Whitaker:

We write regarding the Raleigh-Durham Airport Authority's (RDU) application for \$40 million in funding through the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) Airport Terminal Program (ATP) Grant for RDU's Terminal 2 Landside Expansion project.

Originally constructed in phases beginning in the mid-2000s, the record growth at RDU has severely constrained the ability of Terminal 2 to efficiently process passengers during peak times. This expansion will increase terminal landside facility size by over 66%, relieving a constrained ticketing and check-in departure hall, domestic and international arrivals areas, as well as the terminal roadway system. In addition, Terminal 2's aging mechanical, electrical, and baggage handling systems will be replaced as a part of this project.

The project will also significantly enhance accessibility with new and modernized restroom facilities and reconstructed arrival and departure curbs to comply with current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards. Sustainability is also a core component of the project, which will incorporate energy-efficient design features, retro-commission existing systems, and aim to achieve LEED certification standards. The requested \$40 million in funding is crucial for advancing this project, which will not only support the airport's growth but also deliver widespread economic and societal benefits.

For these reasons, we urge your full and fair consideration of RDU's application for the FAA's Airport Terminal Program Grant within all relevant rules and regulations. Please do not hesitate to contact our offices for additional information about the project.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress



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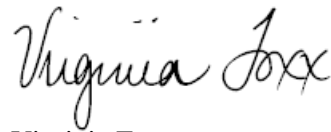
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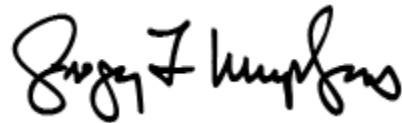
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