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March 29, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
U.S. House of Representatives
House Appropriations Committee
H-307 – The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
U.S. House of Representatives
House Appropriations Committee
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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Apron Rehabilitation. Olive Branch Airport (OLV), 8000 Terminal Drive, Olive Branch, MS 38654 in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Olive Branch, located at 9200 Pigeon Roost Road, Olive Branch, MS 38654.

This is a good use of taxpayer funds because the City of Olive Branch will use the funds to make improvements to their local airport. This will help spur economic development.

The airport's main aprons have degraded and are unraveling creating foreign object debris (FOD). The pavement condition index (PCI) rating which determines the general condition of pavement was evaluated to be between 32 - 46. The ratings fall within the "very poor" to "poor" category which determines the pavement is past a preventative maintenance measure and requires a major rehabilitation to address the deficiencies. The requested project is a mill of approximately 2 inches of asphalt, sealing of underlying cracks, and replacement of approximately 2 inches of new asphalt. The total project is estimated at \$5,544,400 for rehabilitation of the entire main apron to bring it back to condition that will provide a safe environment for all users.

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Trent Kelly".

Trent Kelly
Member of Congress

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