

May 3, 2024

The Honorable Sam Graves Chairman

House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee 2165 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rick Larsen
Ranking Member
House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee
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Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Maria Cantwell Chair

Senate Commerce, Science & Transportation Committee 254 Russell Senate Office Building

Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Ted Cruz Ranking Member

Senate Commerce, Science & Transportation Committee

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Dear Chairman Graves, Chair Cantwell, and Ranking Members Larsen and Cruz:

I'm writing on behalf of the equipment industry to express our sincere gratitude and support for the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2024.

Associated Equipment Distributors (AED) is the international trade association representing companies that sell, rent, service and manufacture construction, agriculture, mining, energy, forestry, and industrial equipment. Its more than 500 dealer members, which are predominantly small and medium-sized, family-owned businesses, have 5,300 locations, employ 125,000 workers and account for more than \$60 billion of annual sales revenue of equipment and related supplies. AED also has 300 non-distributor members, which include equipment manufacturers and industry affiliates.

The bipartisan FAA Reauthorization Act provides historic investments for airport infrastructure projects. The \$4 billion for the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) is vital, and will positively impact the aviation industry, AED members that supply sell, rent, service, and manufacture the equipment needed to complete these important projects, and the broader economy.

AED urges the support and expeditious passage of the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2024 and commends you for this significant bipartisan achievement.

Sincerely,

Daniel B. Fisher

Senior Vice President, Government & External Affairs

cc: Members of the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate