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The Honorable Sam Graves, Chair Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure United States House of Representatives 2165 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Maria Cantwell, Chair Committee on Commerce, Science & Transportation United States Senate 254 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Rick Larsen, Ranking Member Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure United States House of Representatives 2164 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Ted Cruz, Ranking Member Committee on Commerce, Science & Transportation United States Senate 512 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510 The Honorable Garret Graves, Chair Subcommittee on Aviation United States House of Representatives 2165 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Tammy Duckworth, Chair
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The Honorable Steve Cohen, Ranking Member Subcommittee on Aviation United States House of Representatives 2164 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Jerry Moran, Ranking Member Subcommittee on Aviation Safety, Operations, and Innovation United States Senate 512 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Chair Graves, Chair Cantwell, Ranking Member Larsen, Ranking Member Cruz, Chair Graves, Chair Duckworth, Ranking Member Cohen, and Ranking Member Moran:

On behalf of BETA Technologies, I write to express support for the *FAA Reauthorization Act of 2024* (H.R. 3935). The bipartisan, bicameral legislation to reauthorize the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)



includes key legislative provisions to promote emerging technologies and ensure the United States remains the global leader in aviation innovation.

BETA Technologies is an electric aerospace company pioneering the development of a fully integrated electric transportation system that includes all-electric aircraft and multimodal, interoperable charging infrastructure. BETA's ALIA conventional electric (CTOL) and electric Vertical Takeoff and Landing (eVTOL) aircraft are at the forefront of domestic aviation innovation and will expand access to clean, reliable, and cost-effective transportation nationwide. Our focus, in partnership with customers like UPS and Bristow, is on increasing passenger and cargo service to rural and underserved regions. In the last two years, BETA has completed historic flight demonstrations in the United States, including a first-of-its-kind deployment with the U.S. Department of Defense.

BETA Technologies commends Congress for including several critical provisions supporting Advanced Air Mobility (AAM), a rapidly developing aviation sector that includes electric aircraft, in the legislation. Notably, the legislation contains provisions providing for the adoption of rules for the operation of powered-lift aircraft, expands existing programs for critical AAM infrastructure, and requires the FAA to ensure there is a pathway for industry to access vertical infrastructure for operations. These and other important AAM provisions will ensure the United States is at the forefront of innovation and adoption for years to come.

We appreciate your work to ensure the inclusion of AAM provisions in the compromise legislation. BETA welcomes the opportunity to work with the Committee as the House and Senate complete consideration of the *FAA Reauthorization Act of 2024*.

Sincerely,

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