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The Honorable Sam Graves  
United States House of Representatives  
2165 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Graves:

I am writing to express The Boeing Company's strong support for H.R. 6086, the Aviation Industry and Certification Continuity Act. As an aerospace manufacturer and a company with a culture rooted in the safety and continued health of our aviation system, Boeing and our over 160,000 employees value your leadership in advancing legislation that protects the integrity of aviation safety, aircraft certification and the vital work of the hardworking men and women of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).

Aircraft certification services are one of the cornerstones of aviation safety. Ensuring that new aircraft, components, and modifications meet rigorous standards is the best way to ensure that we are always moving in the direction of improving safety. A safe and efficient certification process is also vital to maintaining the global confidence that American aviation products enjoy. Any disruption to this process has immediate and long-term consequences—impeding innovation, delaying safety improvements, and threatening jobs throughout the aerospace industry.

Equally important is the need to ensure that alongside air traffic controllers and others, FAA certification personnel continue to be paid and allowed to work during a government shutdown. These professionals perform safety-critical functions that cannot simply be paused without introducing real risks to both ongoing certification projects and aviation operations as a whole. Protecting their work from disruptions is a matter of maintaining both public safety and national economic stability.

By advancing H.R. 6086, you will be taking a much needed step to reinforce the resilience of our aviation system. I thank you and your colleagues for acting to move this legislation forward swiftly to ensure that FAA safety oversight and certification activity can continue without interruption, regardless of lapses in funding.

Thank you for your continued dedication to U.S. aviation leadership and safety.

Sincerely,

Jeff Shockey