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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
2413 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the MYR Runway Reconstruction project in Fiscal Year (FY) 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Myrtle Beach International Airport, located at 1100 Jetport Road, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577.

This funding will be used for the construction of a temporary runway, which would allow Myrtle Beach International Airport (MYR) to remain open to serve airline partners, the flight school, military, charter, and general aviation traffic. With the recent increases in aircraft size, the runway is showing significant signs of deterioration and degradation and must be repaired. Construction of a temporary runway would be built to maintain runway-to-runway separation standards and could be utilized for a future full-time parallel runway, helping to address overall capacity needs.

This is an appropriate use of taxpayer funding because when the existing runway requires maintenance, the airport is forced to close the single runway to conduct repair items. Having a newly reconstructed runway will eliminate that need for the foreseeable future. As the nation's second-busiest single-runway facility, closing the runway to perform maintenance and safety upgrades causes a major constriction and impact to the local market and airline partners.

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.

I strongly urge the Committee to include this community funding project in the FY25 Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Russell Fry
Member of Congress