

February 1, 2018

The Honorable Peter Courtney Senate President State Capital S-201 The Honorable Tina Kotek Speaker of the House State Capital H-269

## Re: Support of HB 4092 Aurora State Airport Runway Extension

Dear Senate President Courtney and Speaker Kotek:

We are writing to express our strong support for HB 4092 - Aurora Airport Runway Extension. This bill is very important to the Canby Area Chamber of Commerce and its hundreds of members. Several chamber members operate corporate aircraft out of the Aurora State Airport. The runway extension has direct impact on these businesses and the safe and efficient operations of their aircraft.

Additionally, a large number of Canby businesses are directly impacted by the economic activity surrounding the airport. This impact includes direct purchasing/secondary expenditures of member businesses and other businesses at Aurora Airport. It also includes airport employees that live in the area and spend money in our local businesses. Finally, Canby is home to several aerospace related manufacturing businesses. As you can see, the broad reaching economic impact of the airport is felt strongly in the Canby business community.

Therefore, if you already support the passage of HB 4092, we sincerely appreciate your efforts. If you are deciding whether or not to support HB 4092, we strongly urge you to consider the value the airport brings to our business community and the region as a whole.

Sincerely,

Michelle Boren, President

Board of Directors Canby Area Chamber of Commerce