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Senator Fred Girod, Co-Chair  
Representative Rob Nosse, Co-Chair  
Members of the Joint Committee on Ways & Means Subcommittee on Capital Construction  
Oregon State Capitol  
900 Court Street NE  
Salem Oregon 97301

Co-Chair Girod, Co-Chair Nosse and Members of the Committee:

I'm writing in support of the \$1.35 million Salem-Willamette Valley Airport resiliency and emergency capability with Terminal Master Plan capital funding request. This critical funding advances the Salem-Willamette Valley Airport (McNary Field) as a resiliency hub for rescue and recovery in the event of a catastrophic event, and leverages federal funding to support airport services and expansion.

**Funding to support resiliency and emergency power back-up** benefits the emergency functions, resiliency efforts and business continuity of the Airport and the surrounding area. Currently, in the event of a regional emergency Salem is not able to power vital airport infrastructure, including airfield lights, air traffic control, and terminal and fueling facilities. All services necessary to support federal and regional emergency rescue and response aircraft expected in the event of a natural disaster.

**Funding to support Terminal Expansion** will supplement federal dollars for terminal expansion capital projects. This funding will help implement the FAA-approved roadmap for terminal area improvements and expansion as commercial air service grows to serve Salem and surrounding communities.

The City of Salem is committed to ongoing operations and maintenance costs at McNary Field and encourages support for funding that will ensure availability of essential emergency services infrastructure and help to sustain and grow air service benefiting communities throughout the Willamette Valley.

Sincerely,

Mayor Julie Hoy  
City of Salem

cc: Salem Legislative Delegation

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