

March 9, 2020

The Honorable James M. Inhofe
United States Senate
205 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Tammy Duckworth
United States Senate
524 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators Inhofe and Duckworth:

As representatives of hundreds of thousands of individuals, companies, schools, and other entities involved in all segments of aviation and aerospace, we are writing to express our strong support for your legislation that would create a National Center for the Advancement of Aviation (NCAA).

We strongly support the creation of a national, independent forum to facilitate collaboration and cooperation between all sectors of aviation and aerospace stakeholders and related partners to coordinate, promote, and support the future of aviation. In particular, we value the National Center's focus on four key areas: aviation and aerospace STEM curriculum; workforce development, economic and safety data and research sharing, and being a forum for cross-disciplinary collaboration.

The NCAA created by your legislation would ensure that the United States remains a global aviation and aerospace leader in a number of ways. First, it would support education efforts and provide resources to curriculum developers so educators at all levels have the tools and training to educate the next generation of aviation professionals. Second, it would serve as a collaborative forum to leverage and share expertise amongst all industry sectors, including empowering the dissemination of existing high school education curriculum in aviation and aerospace programs. Third, it would be a central repository for economic and safety data research and analysis that will enable a collaborative industry to foresee issues and respond proactively. Finally, it would support symposiums and conferences to facilitate cross-disciplinary collaboration across aviation and aerospace communities.

We greatly appreciate your leadership in introducing this important and much needed legislation. It will ensure a collaborative process to promote our industry and to assist in the development of the next generation of aviation and aerospace workers. Together, with the NCAA, we can meet the challenges of today and those in the future.

Sincerely,

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ACI Jet
Aeronautical Repair Station
Association
Aerospace Center of Excellence
Aerospace Maintenance Council
Air Care Alliance
Air Line Pilots Association,
International
Air Medical Operators Association
Air Wisconsin Airlines
Airbus
Aircraft Electronics Association
Aircraft Mechanics Fraternal
Association

Aircraft Owners and Pilots
Association
Airlines for America
Alabama General Aviation
Alliance
Alaska Airlines
Alaska Airmen Association
Alaskan Aviation Safety
Foundation
Alliance for Aviation Across
America
Allied Pilots Association
American Airlines
American Bonanza Society
American Yankee Association
Arizona Airports Association

Arizona Flight Training
Workinggroup
Arizona Pilots Association
Arizona Safety Advisory Group
Arkansas General Aviation
Association
Association for Unmanned Vehicle
Systems International
Association of California Airports
Atlas Air Worldwide
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Cargo Airline Association

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| Coalition of Airline Pilots Associations | Kentucky Aviation Association | North American Trainer Association |
| Colorado Aviation Business Association | Kimmel Aviation Insurance | Ohio Regional Business Aviation Association |
| Commemorative Air Force Community and Airport Partnership for Safe Operations | Ladd Gardner Aviation Insurance, Inc. | Oklahoma Aeronautics Commission |
| CommutAir | Lancair Owners and Builders Organization | Oklahoma Airport Operators Association |
| Compass Airlines | Lewis University Airport | Oklahoma Pilots Association |
| Delta Air Lines | LIFT Academy | Oregon Pilots Association |
| Delta State University | Long Island Business Aviation Association | Organization of Black Aerospace Professionals |
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| EAA Warbirds of America | Louisiana Airport Managers and Associates | Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum |
| East Central Ohio Pilots Association | Maine Aeronautics Association | Petaluma Area Pilots Association |
| East Hampton Aviation Association | Maine Aviation Business Association | Piedmont Airlines |
| Empire Airlines | Massachusetts Airport Management Association | Piper Flyer Association |
| Endeavor Air | Michigan Business Aviation Association | Plane and Pilot News |
| Envoy Air | Minnesota Pilots Association | Professional Aviation Maintenance Association |
| EVAC, the Emergency Volunteers Air Corps | Minnesota Seaplane Pilots Association | PSA Airlines |
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| Flying Knights Flying Club | National Air Transportation Association | Rhode Island Pilots Association |
| Flying Physicians Association | National Association of State Aviation Officials | San Carlos Pilots Association |
| Friends of Linden Airport | National Business Aviation Association | San Diego Christian College |
| Fullerton Airport Pilots Association | National Coalition for Aviation and Space Education | Seaplane Pilots Association |
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| General Aviation Manufacturers Association | NetJets Association of Shared Aircraft Pilots | South Dakota Pilots Association |
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