



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

March 27, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Appropriations Committee
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Southeast Iowa Regional Airport Terminal Rehab and Expansion Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Southeast Iowa Regional Airport Authority, located at 2515 Summer St, Burlington, IA 52601.

The funding for this project would establish a series of targeted terminal upgrades to expand TSA capacity, modernize aging infrastructure, and provide a safer, more accessible passenger experience for the region. These improvements will allow the airport to better serve families, caregivers, business travelers, and individuals with disabilities while supporting long-term economic growth in Southeast Iowa.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because these improvements will better serve families, caregivers, and passengers requiring additional assistance, while improving overall passenger flow within the terminal. These upgrades will help sustain reliable commercial air service, support regional economic activity, and ensure southeastern Iowa maintains access to modern, efficient aviation infrastructure for communities throughout Iowa's First Congressional District.

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.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mariannette J. Miller-Meeks".

Mariannette Miller-Meeks, M.D.
Member of Congress