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To Whom It May Concern:

The Oregon Restaurant & Lodging Association (ORLA) would like to take this opportunity to show our support for commercial air service in Salem on behalf of our members located in Oregon's Mid-Willamette Valley.

As one of Oregon's most populous Metropolitan Statistical Areas, the Salem MSA is well suited to support sustained service for both inbound tourism and outbound business and leisure travel.

Ongoing constraints being placed on our highway and interstate infrastructure in Oregon is making travel to and from commercial air service locations in both Portland and Eugene less reliable.

Service in Oregon's capitol would improve reliability and save travelers time while also opening the Mid-Willamette Valley's door to more strategic tourism promotion focused on potential guests who are interested in flights directly to their end destination.

In representation of both restaurant and lodging operations across the state, we welcome enhanced service which better connects Oregon's tourists to the destinations they wish to experience.

If you have any questions for us at ORLA, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jason Brandt", written in a cursive style.

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