Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

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President Barack H. Obama The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, D.C 20500

Dear Mr. President:

As you prepare to release the Administration's 2015 Fiscal Year Budget, we would like to take this opportunity to reiterate our strong opposition to any plan to impose a \$100 per flight fee on commercial and general aviation operators. Last April, 223 Members of the House of Representatives signed a bipartisan letter to you outlining our opposition to any such fee. Previous Republican and Democratic Administrations have proposed such a fee, and it has always been repeatedly rejected by a broad bipartisan majority of the House of Representatives.

Commercial and general aviation are vital to the economic well-being of the nation. Aviation manufacturing and associated industries provide important American jobs and employment opportunity. We, like you, are committed to support policies that encourage job growth and work to strengthen the America economy. However, your continued support for any proposal to implement a per-flight-fee on commercial and general aviation would only serve to undermine the strength of our aviation transportation system and the jobs that rely on this important segment of our nation's economy. We respectfully request that you not advance such a proposal in your upcoming budget plan.

Thank you for your consideration of our strong concerns on this important policy issue.

Sincerely,