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To Whom It May Concern:

The Commercial Spaceflight Federation (CSF) is the leading voice for the commercial space industry with 90 member companies and organizations across the United States. CSF is focused on laying the foundation for a sustainable space economy and democratizing access to space for scientists, students, civilians, and businesses. Our members are responsible for the creation of tens of thousands of high-tech U.S. jobs driven by billions of dollars in investment. Through rapid and continuous innovation, CSF members are enabling the expansion of Earth's economic sphere, bolstering U.S. leadership in aerospace, and inspiring America's next generation of engineers, scientists, and explorers.

CSF strongly supports infrastructure improvements to our national spaceport system to continue providing a strong and robust launch capability across the nation. Commercial spaceports are important assets, not only to assist with commercial space launches, but also to support national security efforts, which makes spaceports perfect candidates for infrastructure grant programs. The space industry continues to see dramatic growth, outpacing most technology and transportation sectors. Local governments across the country are witnessing the economic benefits of the commercial space industry, in addition to inspiring students in their regions to focus on STEM-related careers.

The United States is the leader in the commercial space race and CSF strives to strengthen this position in part by supporting grant programs to fast-track spaceport development. Commercial spaceport infrastructure will provide significant economic benefits to their respective regions and ensure America's continued leadership in space.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Karina", is positioned above the typed name.

Karina Drees  
President