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May 23, 2025

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

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the **Terminal Modernization and Seismic Project at Memphis International Airport** in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is **the Memphis-Shelby County Airport Authority (MEM)** located at **2491 Winchester Road, Memphis, TN 38116**. The funding will be used to **seismically protect the airport departure roadway, enhance ADA access, and provide shelter to passengers from inclement weather.**

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because **it will modernize the terminal facilities to ensure seismic resiliency of the building structure and roadway. MEM is the principal commercial airport serving west Tennessee, north Mississippi, southeast Missouri, east Arkansas, and is home of many attractions, including Graceland, the second most visited home after the White House.**

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,



Steve Cohen  
Member of Congress