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The Honorable Mo Brooks
United States House of Representatives
1230 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Brooks,

As you know, Alabama is an important part of America's space capability, and has historically played a critical role in achieving our Nation's goals for space exploration. As Alabama-based suppliers to our country's leading providers of space launch services, we write to encourage your support of expanding America's industrial aerospace capability through competition, technology innovation, and new entrant companies who have chosen us as key suppliers for their innovative products. These companies—though they may not be based in Alabama—draw many millions of dollars each year to the Decatur and Huntsville areas. Because of it, we and other suppliers are able to maintain existing and create new high-skill, high-paying jobs right here.

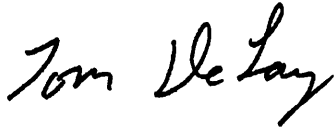
We especially want to emphasize that commercial space transportation and "traditional" aerospace both contribute significantly to suppliers like us. We hope you agree with us that competition and a broader overall set of industry players increase our business, as our products see a wider set of buyers. In this atmosphere of a shrinking federal budget and the threat of other states trying to draw work away from Alabama, the commercial space industry and its global customer base presents an enormous growth opportunity for the region – one we are fully embracing.

We hope that you will share in our pride and welcome our newest business partners.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Pete Willis". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Pete" being more prominent than the last name "Willis".

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