## **Salem Airport Advisory Commission**

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July 23, 2018

City of Salem Mayor and Council 555 Liberty Street SE, Room 220 Salem, OR 97301-3513

Dear Mayor Bennett and City Councilors:

During its special meeting on July 23, 2018 the Salem Airport Advisory Commission unanimously passed the following motion:

"The Airport Advisory Commission supports commercial air service recruitment efforts and recommends the Salem City Council pass a resolution to support community efforts to return scheduled air service to McNary Field (KSLE).

Such a resolution should acknowledge that the effort has broad community support, both within the City of Salem and throughout the Mid-Willamette Valley; that it benefits Salem's efforts to promote tourism; that it benefits Salem's efforts in economic development; that connectivity from scheduled air service at McNary Field will reduce traffic on our roadways; and that as the state Capital, the City of Salem and the surrounding region should be served by regularly scheduled air service for its citizens and visitors alike.

Such a resolution should include support for State of Oregon and Federal grant applications for programs to assist the community in their air service recruitment efforts."

Thank you for your time and consideration and please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

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Chairman, Airport Advisory Commission

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