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RE: Letter of Support AeroATL Regional Land Use and Zoning Study request for Livable Centers Initiative Grant

Dear Mr. Lombard,

On behalf of City of Hapeville, I am pleased to offer this letter in support of the Aerotropolis Atlanta Alliance and their partners' efforts to secure funding under the Livable Centers Initiative (LCI). City of Hapeville is partner of the Alliance and I commend the Alliance for their vision to review existing land use and zoning for the region to improve development efficiency and intergovernmental coordination along boundary lines in the Aerotropolis region.

The Alliance represents public and private partners within a 165-square mile area around Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport. The Alliance focuses on regional economic competitiveness through Economic Development, Workforce Development and Education. These are critical components needed to promote and enhance strategic growth for the area. The region now has multijurisdictional cooperation and regional growth requires a comprehensive review of existing land use and zoning. The Alliance is uniquely positioned to represent the region and allow neighboring jurisdictions to examine existing land use and zone codes in/outside boundary lines. These are key elements for regional development and resiliency. This is important to the organization because a primary component to promoting the region is proactive land use and zoning. Developers and corporate executives are attracted to environments that require less activity around altering land use and zoning to accommodate their project. This process will allow the region to review and receive recommendations. This study will also seek to improve intergovernmental coordination, transportation, housing, workforce and targeted development.

The project represents multiple public, private, and non-profit regional partners to implement regional comprehensive land use and zoning. City of Hapeville appreciates the opportunity to lend our support to this exciting initiative for the Aerotropolis region and look forward to its successful implementation.

Thank you for your consideration of this project submitted for funding under the LCI program.

Sincerely,

Alan Hallman Mayor

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