

The City of Laurel Mississippi

Johnny Magee
Mayor

April 3, 2020

Mr. Michael Martin
Office of Aviation Analysis
US Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: DOT-OST-2001-10685, Laurel/Hattiesburg, Mississippi Essential Air Service

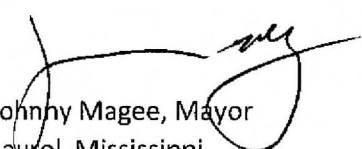
Dear Mr. Martin:

The greater Laurel community fully supports the request of SkyWest Airlines to change the Essential Air Service pattern at Laurel/Hattiesburg effective July 1, 2020.

Our service shift from a hub of Dallas/Ft. Worth (DFW) to a hub of Houston Intercontinental (IAH) would continue to allow our community to travel the national air transportation network. The carrier is not requesting any change in subsidy support. We would continue to receive (outside of any COVID-19 driven reductions) the same number of flights per week. All Houston flights would be marketed under the United Airlines brand.

Thanks in advance for expedited approval of this SkyWest Airlines request.

Yours very truly,



Johnny Magee, Mayor
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