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## **NJAA Join N.J. Senators in Fight For N.J. Transportation Funding**

### *Full Funding of NJ Airports Vital to The Economy*

(Trenton, NJ) – At a time when the nation’s aviation industry faces more critical issues than any other time in its history, full funding of the Airport Improvement Program is vital so that runways and other projects can move forward.

Speaking for the **New Jersey Aviation Association**, Arlene Feldman, NJAA President expressed serious concern that anything but full funding will seriously affect New Jersey’s multi billion dollar aviation industry.

The **New Jersey Aviation Association** is dedicated to the promotion, preservation and protection of the state’s multi-billion dollar aviation industry. Its mission is to promote aviation as a key component of the state’s intermodal transportation system; increase awareness of the positive economic contributions of the state’s aviation industry; influence public policy to protect and promote aviation; work to balance the interests of local communities and the aviation industry.

President Bush’s Fiscal Year 2009 budget proposal would make drastic cuts in transportation funding that would seriously affect aviation safety, the funding of air traffic control and airport infrastructure projects. At a time when we need the investment in our airports, Senator Lautenberg points out, “The President’s budget weakens our entire transportation system.”

“Runways and airports are the keys to solving America’s air traffic congestion woes,” said Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association President, Phil Boyer.

Senator Menendez said “President Bush’s transportation budget takes New Jersey down the wrong path.” He vows to push for making major new investments in New Jersey’s public transportation infrastructure.

NJAA supports the need for the Administration to fully fund the Airport Improvement Program so that airport projects can move forward.

