

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20510

August 3, 2012

Mr. Elon Musk
CEO/CTO
Space Exploration Technologies, Inc.
1 Rocket Road
Hawthorne, CA 90250

Dear Mr. Musk,

We would like to congratulate you and your team at SpaceX on the Dragon's recent successful launch and berthing with the International Space Station, and on the announcement of SpaceX's recent award under NASA's Commercial Crew Program. We are proud to have a company with such a bright future doing critical work for our nation in the great state of Florida.

We understand that SpaceX is evaluating options for a new commercial launch site to complement your facilities at Cape Canaveral, which will continue to host government launches and currently scheduled commercial launches. We urge you to build on our solid foundation of successful collaboration by expanding your future commercial launch activities in Florida.

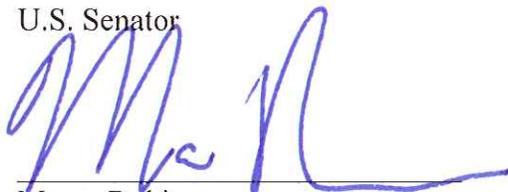
While the federal government is now Cape Canaveral's primary user, a major transformation is underway. Over the next decade, Cape Canaveral will grow into a bustling commercial spaceport hosting a growing number of suborbital and commercial satellite launches. The influence, resources, and leadership of companies like SpaceX can help us and the state of Florida drive that transformation. If SpaceX outgrows its facilities at Cape Canaveral, we will work with you to find an additional location in Florida.

Our delegation, the Governor's Office, and the Florida Legislature have all demonstrated their support for the commercial aerospace industry, and Florida has again committed to acquiring and upgrading existing launch infrastructure for commercial use. As you know from your ongoing work at Cape Canaveral, Florida boasts a highly skilled workforce, tax policies favorable to the aerospace industry, world class universities, and locations ideally suited for launch activities.

We look forward to maximizing our shared investments at Cape Canaveral and to continuing our partnership.



Bill Nelson
U.S. Senator

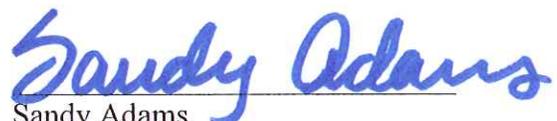


Marco Rubio
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Sincerely,



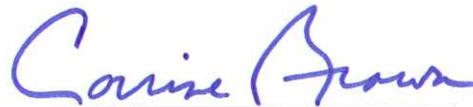
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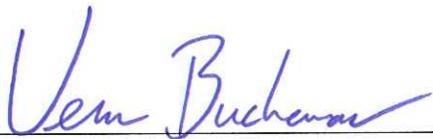
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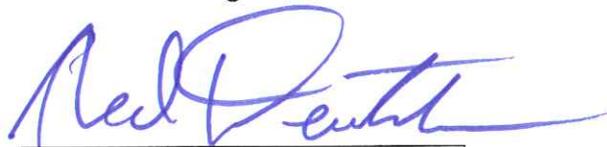
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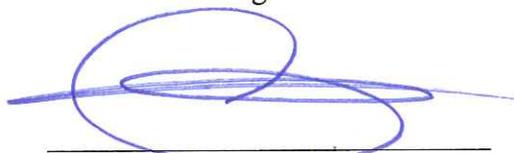
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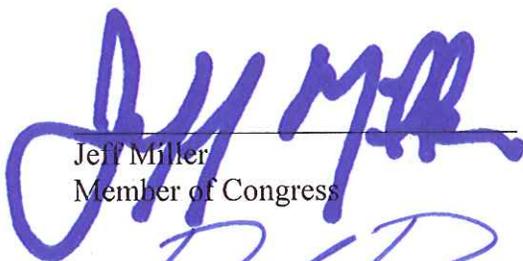
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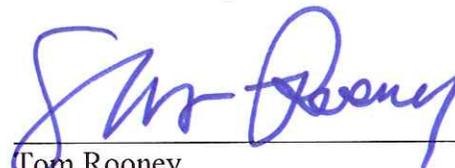
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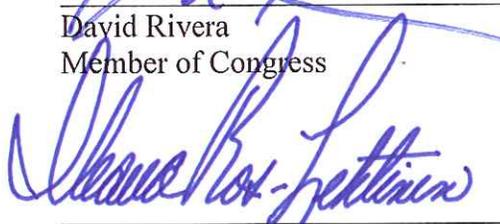
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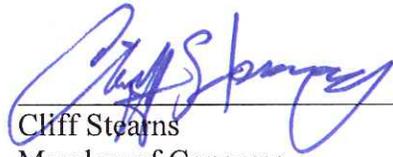
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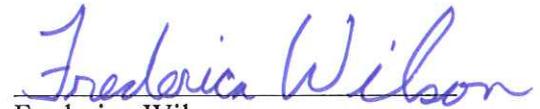
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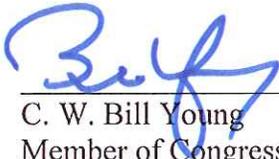
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