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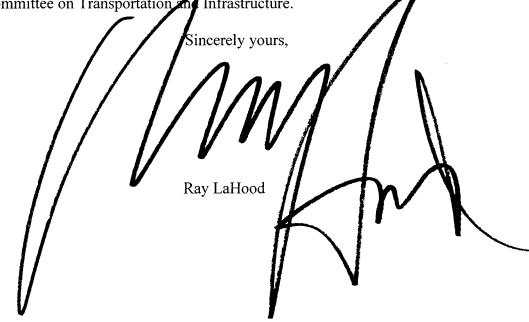
The Honorable Kay Bailey Hutchison Ranking Member, Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

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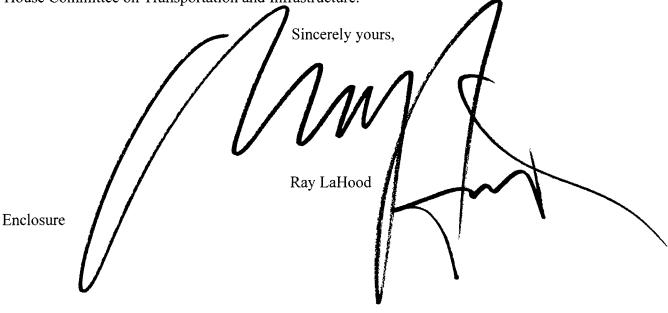
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