

Congressman Lucas and the entire House Science, Space, & Technology Committee have been absolute champions of drone technologies and their potential to drive economic innovation and national security. The National Drone and Advanced Air Mobility Initiative Act would provide a critical element that the United States very much needs in order for this burgeoning sector to reach its true potential domestically: a fully synchronized federal initiative, coordinated through the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, will bring federal research agencies into a common framework to accelerate unmanned systems research and development, and ultimately bring new solutions and applications to the marketplace.

At Oklahoma State University, advanced mobility R&D is a key strength in our research enterprise. We have built this strength through a myriad of investments derived from federal, state, and private partnerships. We are confident that our impact can be multiplied under the fully coordinated federal approach to drone R&D provided by the National Drone and Advanced Air Mobility Initiative Act. We are grateful to Congressman Lucas and the House SST Committee for bringing this legislation forward.

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