

April 17, 2018

The Honorable Lamar Smith
Chairman
U.S. House Committee on Science, Space
and Technology
2409 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Brian Babin
Chairman
U.S. House Subcommittee on Space
316 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Smith and Chairman Babin:

I am writing to thank you for your ongoing efforts to strengthen the U.S. space industry and to express my support for the Fiscal Years 2018/2019 reauthorization legislation for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

We are faced today with differing challenges, whether external from other nations that are growing increasingly assertive in the space arena, and domestically as we seek to assure that America's leadership in space continues far into the future. Meeting these challenges requires innovation to further assure a robust U.S. capacity to maximize utilization of the space arena.

NanoRacks is the leading commercial provider of goods and services to the International Space Station, and other in-space platforms, where the government serves as a commercial customer. We look forward to



continuing and expanding our ongoing work with NASA to most costefficiently introduce new technologies and systems to meet an increasingly challenging environment.

We are fortunate as a country to have leaders such as you who understand the challenges we face and are willing to act to improve American competitiveness in space. I am particularly pleased with the inclusion in your legislation of the recently proposed Commercial LEO Development program with a focus on enabling, developing and deploying multiple commercial orbital platforms and authorizing \$150,000,000 for these purposes in Fiscal Year 2019.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of my strong support for the Fiscal Years 2018/2019 NASA reauthorization measure. I am pleased to provide any additional information which may be helpful and I look forward to working with you and your staff to improve this important bill as it moves through the legislative process.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Manber

Chief Executive Officer