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Commercial Drone Alliance Applauds Congress for Passing the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2024

New reforms pave the way for a regulatory framework that enables Americans to fully realize the benefits of drones

WASHINGTON, D.C. – May 15, 2024 – The Commercial Drone Alliance (CDA), an independent 501c6 non-profit organization led by key members of the commercial drone industry, congratulates the leadership and members of the Senate Commerce Committee and the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee on the passage of the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2024. Provisions included in the bill are critical to the growth and development of the U.S. uncrewed aircraft system (UAS or “drone”) industry.

"Today marks a pivotal step in reinforcing American leadership in the skies. The FAA Reauthorization Act of 2024 brings much-needed stability to both the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and aviation industry, and enables the U.S. drone industry to keep pace with other countries," said Lisa Ellman, Executive Director of the Commercial Drone Alliance. "This legislation reflects years of dedicated collaboration between lawmakers and industry stakeholders, including the CDA. We are excited to build on this momentum and to strengthen U.S. leadership in advanced aviation."

The Commercial Drone Alliance is comprised of companies and organizations across the UAS ecosystem. Despite their diverse business pursuits, members share the common goal: bringing the benefits of UAS to communities nationwide. This vital legislation includes provisions that foster a regulatory landscape that further unlocks the safety, security, equity, sustainability, and economic benefits of using drones for commercial and public safety applications.

From emergency response and critical infrastructure inspection to precision agriculture, delivery of essential goods, firefighting, medical intervention, and law enforcement, implantation of the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2024 will enable companies to deliver the full potential of drones to the American public.

The CDA looks forward to working with the FAA and other relevant stakeholders on timely implementation of this critical bill.



About the Commercial Drone Alliance

The Commercial Drone Alliance is an independent non-profit organization led by key leaders in the commercial drone and advanced air mobility industries. The CDA brings together commercial drone end-users, manufacturers, service providers, advanced air mobility companies, drone security companies, and vertical markets including oil and gas, precision agriculture, construction, security, communications technology, infrastructure, newsgathering, and filmmaking. The CDA works with all levels of government to collaborate on policies for industry growth and seeks to educate the public on the safe and responsible use of commercial drones to achieve economic benefits and humanitarian gains.

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