# AEROSPACE STATES ASSOCIATION

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#### Resolution 2025-2

# AEROSPACE STATES ASSOCIATION (ASA) SUPPORTS THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION TAKING A LEADERSHIP ROLE IN INTEGRATING SUPOERSONIC AIRCRAFT INTO THE NATIONAL AIRSPACE SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the Aerospace States Association (ASA) is the nation's only non-partisan 501(c)(3) organization comprising Lieutenant Governors, Governor-appointed delegates, state legislators, territorial and tribal government representatives; and,

WHEREAS, the ASA is committed to enacting state, the District of Columbia, the territories, and tribal nations-based initiatives to strengthen our nation's leadership in aviation and aerospace; and,

**WHEREAS**, the ASA is committed to supporting the aerospace and aviation industries in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, the territories, and tribal nations to strengthen industry contributions to our economies; and,

WHEREAS, ASA is committed to educating young Americans to lead the world in science, technology, engineering, and math; and

WHEREAS, the ASA is committed to linking the global community in peace and commerce via air travel; and,

WHEREAS, outdated and overly restrictive regulations have grounded the promise of Supersonic flight over land, stifling American ingenuity, weakening our global competitiveness, and ceding leadership to foreign adversaries. Advances in aerospace engineering, materials science, and noise reduction now make supersonic flight not just possible, but safe, sustainable, and commercially viable; and,

WHEREAS, the country must unlock the future of supersonic travel by repealing the prohibition on overland supersonic flight and fully funding federally supported supersonic research and development programs like the NASA X-59 QueSST (Quiet SuperSonic Technology) and companies. like Boom Supersonic; and,

WHEREAS, technology transfers must be maximized to allow for all design, materials, operations, and propulsion advances to be fully leveraged, resulting in a balance between technology and policy that supports this industry segment in reaching its full potential; and,

WHEREAS, the X-59 will be used to collect community response data on the acceptability of a quiet sonic boom generated by the unique design of the aircraft. The data will help NASA provide regulators with the information needed to establish an acceptable commercial supersonic noise standard to lift the ban on commercial supersonic travel over land.

WHEREAS, this breakthrough would open the door to an entirely new global market for aircraft manufacturers, enabling passengers to travel anywhere in the world in half the time it takes today; and,



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**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Aerospace States Association, hereby encourages, with coordination with the states, tribes, territories, that the Federal Aviation Administration should take a leadership role in integrating supersonic aircraft into the National Airspace System and developing international policies, regulations, and standards to facilitate the safe and efficient operation of such aircraft.

ADOPTED ON THIS 30th OF JULY.

ASA Secretary

Lt Governor Howie Morales, New Mexico