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July 7, 2020

The Honorable Clint Pate, Chairman
Jackson County Board of County Commissioners
2864 Madison Street
Marianna, FL 32448

Dear Chairman Pate:

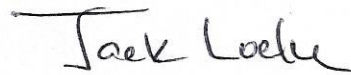
As a follow-up to the meeting between the TCAA Executive Committee and the Chairs of the three County Commissions appointing Members to the Authority Board on February 15, 2019, and subsequent actions by each Commission to support reorganization of TCAA from 15 Members to 9 Members with three from each county, Governor DeSantis has signed House Bill 1375 with an effective date of July 1, 2020.

Through normal attrition, there are currently 11 serving Members to fill the 9 new seats and two of the Washington County Directors have agreed to take "standby" positions until they can be reappointed to one of the 9 seats through attrition. The new schedule of seats and Members by county is attached, and the new rotation of 3-year terms has also been addressed with a member from each county having an initial term expiration September 30, 2021, and the same in 2022.

We are also requesting that your Commission authorize a letter similar to the attachment on your county letterhead stationery confirming that each county will now appoint three Members to the TCAA in future years. A copy of the final bill is also attached for reference.

Please advise if you need further information, and I hope this action can be completed in August at your convenience.

Sincerely,



Herbert J. Locke, Jr.,
Chairman

cf: Wilanne Daniels,
County Administrator

Tri-County Airport Authority

Members, Seats, Contact Information

7/6/20

Tri - County Airport Authority Members & Terms

Board seat appointments are effective from July 1, 2020.

County:	Seat #	Member Name	Term	Date Start	Date Ends	Next Term	Date Appointed	Address	City	State	ZIP
Holmes:	1	Jack Locke	1 Yr	7/1/2020	9/30/2021	10/1/21 - 9/30/24	8/14/18	405 Hwy 90 West	Bonfay	FL	32415
	2	Fred Provost	2 Yrs	7/1/2020	9/30/2022	10/1/22-9/30/25	8/14/18	2863 Ponce De Leon Springs Rd	Ponce De Leon	FL	32455
	3	Roy Brooks	3 Yrs	7/1/2020	9/30/2023	10/1/23-9/30/26	8/14/18	2498 N Hwy 81	Ponce De Leon	FL	32455
Jackson:	4	Thomas Leuenberger	1 Yr	7/1/2020	9/30/2021	10/1/21 - 9/30/24	2/13/18	4220 Hwy 77	Graceville	FL	32440
	5	Tiffany Wilson Garling	2 Yrs	7/1/2020	9/30/2022	10/1/22-9/30/25	7/23/19	4318 Lafayette Street	Marianna	FL	32446
	6	Logan Chappell	3 Yrs	7/1/2020	9/30/2023	10/1/23-9/30/26	11/12/19	5489 Brown St	Graceville	FL	32440
Washington:	7	Jim Town	1 Yr	7/1/2020	9/30/2021	10/1/21 - 9/30/24	9/21/17	4116 Adler Court	Chipley	FL	32428-8024
	8	Norman Rich	2 Yrs	7/1/2020	9/30/2022	10/1/22-9/30/25	4/25/19	2938 Union Hill Road	Bonfay	FL	32415
	9	Ross Statham	3 Yrs	7/1/2020	9/30/2023	10/1/23-9/30/26	4/25/19	553 Lakepointe Drive	Chipley	FL	32428-4125

Seat terms are for 3 years from October 1st except for the initial staggered terms and Officer elections are for 1 year terms running from each October "Organization Meeting" until the next annual election. The period from July 1, 2020 until September 30, 2020 shall be considered an interim term to reset to October 1st term commencements.

EMERITOUS BOARD MEMBERS:

Washington		Rick D. Kerr	7/1/2020	9/30/2021	Apptd to WC Seat	8/23/18	2300 Pioneer Road	Chipley	FL	32418
Washington		Alan Williams	7/1/2020	9/30/2022	Apptd to WC Seat	6/23/17	2189 James G. Road	Bonfay	FL	32415

Appropriate County Letterhead

August __, 2020

Herbert J. Locke, Jr., Chairman
Tri-county Airport Authority (TC)
P.O. Box 756
Bonifay, FL 32425-0756

Dear Chairman Locke:

The Board of County Commissioners for _____ County acknowledges your notice of July 9, 2020, that Governor DeSantis has signed House Bill 1375 with an effective date of July 1, 2020, to reorganize the TCAA from 15 to 9 Members, to change the fiscal year to October 1st and the organizational meeting from July to October.

Additionally, we concur that the currently serving Members previously appointed shall have their terms reduced from 5 years to 3 years as shown on the schedule prepared by TCAA and that terms shall be further adjusted to establish a 3 year term rotation with one Member appointed by each county having an initial term ending September 30, 2021, 2022, and 2023 and all will service 3 year terms after the initial rotation terms.

The term schedule prepared by TCAA also provides for a bridging term from the effective date of the creation document until September 30th so that all Member terms can be computed from October 1, 2020.

If _____ County Member seats become vacant at future dates, it will be our pleasure to appoint the new Members from our county in a timely manner. Please advise how we can support TCAA in the future years.

Sincerely,

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1
2 An act relating to Holmes, Jackson, and Washington
3 Counties; amending ch. 69-534, Laws of Florida;
4 authorizing a Board of Directors to govern the
5 authority; providing for terms of office and
6 appointment of members to the board; providing and
7 revising organizational meeting dates; providing for
8 quorum and voting; revising certain officer positions
9 of the authority; providing an effective date.

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11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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13 Section 1. Sections 1, 3, 4, and 5 of chapter 69-534, Laws
14 of Florida, are amended to read:

15 Section 1. There is hereby created the "Tri-County Airport
16 Authority," a body corporate, as an agency designed to
17 accomplish the cooperative joint effort of the boards of county
18 commissioners of Holmes County, Jackson County, and Washington
19 County, in the establishment and operation of an airport in
20 Holmes County near the common geographic boundary point of said
21 counties.

22 Section 3. The authority ~~hereby created~~ shall be governed
23 by a Board of Directors (board) consisting consist of nine (9)
24 fifteen (15) members, of which number five (5) shall be
25 appointed by the board of county commissioners of each of the

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26 ~~three (3) participating counties of Holmes, Jackson and~~
27 ~~Washington, initial appointments to be made not later than~~
28 ~~thirty (30) days after July 1, 1969. Three (3) members shall be~~
29 ~~appointed by the Holmes County Board of County Commissioners,~~
30 ~~three (3) members shall be appointed by the Jackson County Board~~
31 ~~of County Commissioners, and three (3) members shall be~~
32 ~~appointed by the Washington County Board of County~~
33 ~~Commissioners. Within sixty (60) days after the effective date~~
34 ~~of this act, each county board of county commissioners shall~~
35 ~~appoint members for initial terms to begin on the date that the~~
36 ~~organizational meeting is held pursuant to section 4. On that~~
37 ~~same date, all terms of the members of the board existing on~~
38 ~~July 1, 2020, shall terminate; however, such members may~~
39 ~~continue to serve additional terms if reappointed by the Holmes,~~
40 ~~Jackson, or Washington County Board of County Commissioners. For~~
41 ~~the purpose of providing staggered terms, each county board of~~
42 ~~county commissioners shall appoint one (1) member to serve an~~
43 ~~initial term ending on October 1, 2021, one (1) member to serve~~
44 ~~an initial term ending on October 1, 2022, and one (1) member to~~
45 ~~serve an initial term ending on October 1, 2023. Members of the~~
46 ~~original authority shall be appointed for terms as follows from~~
47 ~~each of the three (3) participating counties: One (1) member for~~
48 ~~a one (1) year term ending July 1, 1970; one (1) member for a~~
49 ~~two (2) year term ending July 1, 1971; one (1) member for a~~
50 ~~three (3) year term ending July 1, 1972; one (1) member for a~~

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51 ~~four (4) year term ending July 1, 1973; and one (1) member for a~~
 52 ~~five (5) year term ending July 1, 1974; and~~ Thereafter, members
 53 shall be appointed to the board for three (3) year terms, except
 54 appointments to fill vacancies for unexpired terms, in which
 55 event the appointment shall be for the unexpired term only. The
 56 members of the board authority shall receive no compensation for
 57 their services but shall be entitled to reimbursement ~~be~~
 58 ~~reimbursed~~ for per diem and travel expenses incurred in the
 59 performance of their official duties ~~as members of the authority~~
 60 when authorized by the board ~~a majority of the members of the~~
 61 ~~authority at a regular meeting~~, subject to the applicable
 62 provisions and limitations of section 112.061, Florida Statutes.

63 Section 4. Not later than thirty (30) ~~fifteen (15)~~ days
 64 after the appointment of members to initial terms pursuant to
 65 section 3 ~~the authority created hereby~~, and annually thereafter
 66 during October ~~July~~ of each year, the members of the board shall
 67 hold an organizational meeting at which they shall elect from
 68 their own membership a chairman, a vice-chairman, ~~and a~~
 69 secretary ~~secretary-treasurer~~, and a treasurer. Except as
 70 otherwise provided by law, no business shall be transacted by
 71 the authority except at a public ~~regular called~~ meeting of the
 72 Board of Directors ~~members~~, at which a quorum is present and the
 73 minutes thereof recorded. A majority of the members of the board
 74 shall constitute a quorum, and the affirmative vote of a
 75 majority of the members present shall be necessary for any

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76 action taken by the board. Permanent records shall be maintained
77 which shall reflect all official actions of the authority
78 including all financial transactions.

79 Section 5. The treasurer ~~secretary-treasurer~~ of the
80 authority ~~hereby created~~ shall give bond payable to the governor
81 of the state in such amount and under such conditions as may be
82 determined by the members of the authority.

83 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.