

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Many airports, especially those in congested urban
2 areas, are near or over their capacities, and such inadequate
3 infrastructure causes long delays, reduced customer service,
4 negative impacts on the economy, and bottlenecks throughout our
5 entire national air transportation system; and

6 WHEREAS, Implementation of the Next Generation Air
7 Transportation System (NextGen) would help make air travel even
8 safer and more convenient and environmentally friendly by enhancing
9 the efficiency of airports and airspace procedures; and

10 WHEREAS, The long list of airport improvements encompassed in
11 NextGen includes performance-based navigation flight procedures,
12 improved surface management systems, reduced aircraft exhaust
13 emissions, and technology upgrades that bolster all-weather access
14 to airports; and

15 WHEREAS, Airport operators must be involved in the
16 development of NextGen capabilities in and around their airports
17 from inception to execution to ensure noise and other environmental
18 factors that affect their communities are appropriately
19 considered; and

20 WHEREAS, The latest Future Airport Capacity Task study
21 prepared by the FAA indicates that many of the nation's busiest
22 airports, including George Bush International Airport in Houston,
23 will require new runways to meet projected capacity needs in the
24 coming years even with NextGen, and these findings highlight the

1 critical importance of taking all reasonable steps to reduce
2 airport congestion; and

3 WHEREAS, Airports across the nation are ready to work with
4 the FAA, industry partners, the communities they serve, and the
5 U.S. Congress to implement NextGen in order to equip our air
6 transportation system to meet the demands of the 21st century; now,
7 therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
9 Legislature hereby express its support for the implementation of
10 the Next Generation Air Transportation System; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That the chief clerk forward official copies of
12 this resolution to the president of the United States, to the
13 administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, to the
14 president of the Senate and speaker of the House of Representatives
15 of the United States Congress, and to all the members of the Texas
16 delegation to Congress with the request that this resolution be
17 entered in the Congressional Record as a memorial to the Congress of
18 the United States of America.

Capriglione

H.R. No. 1835

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1835 was adopted by the House on May 23, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 125, Nays 4, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House