## Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-3214

March 19th, 2025

Acting Administrator Chris Rocheleau Federal Aviation Administration 800 Independence Ave SW Washington, DC 20591

Dear Administrator Rocheleau,

I am writing to express my support for Vaughn College's application to join the Federal Aviation Administration's Air Traffic Collegiate Training Initiative. As the Member of Congress for LaGuardia Airport, I recognize the urgency of training more air traffic controllers for the most important air traffic hub in the world. I am grateful for the important workforce contributions Vaughn College has made to New York's air traffic sector, and I

I believe Vaughn College is an institution that does the best at preparing their students for success in the aviation field. Hence, if given the opportunity for Vaughn College to form part of AT-CTI, Vaughn College will be able to produce and prepare many more quality air traffic controllers in the New York City area—directly contributing to meeting the growing demand for professionals in regions with such heavy air traffic.

It is my understanding that this application is a significant opportunity to increase the number of air traffic controllers at airports in the New York City area. I request full and fair consideration of Vaughn College's application. If you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact Michelle Luna from my district office at Michelle.Luna@mail.house.gov.

Sincerely,

Representative Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez New York's 14th Congressional District