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Dear Congressional Representative:

Today, I am writing in opposition to the \$100-per-flight user fee included in the President's budget proposal to Congress on behalf of the 3,000-plus pilots represented by the NetJets Association of Shared Aircraft Pilots (NJASAP). Despite the failure of previous attempts, President Obama sought to revisit the ill-advised structure that would have imposed a fee on all flights. Fortunately, a bipartisan majority of House of Representatives members – 223 in total – signed a letter earlier this month opposing any new user fee structure, rendering the President's proposal effectively dead on arrival.

As a representative of the 3,000-plus professional pilots who fly exclusively in the business sector of the aviation industry, I can confirm the impact of the user fee proposal would be significant. General aviation aircraft, including those flown by NetJets pilots, are largely manufactured or assembled here in the United States where they are flown by U.S.-based pilots and serviced by U.S.-based maintenance crews at airports across the nation. Efforts to impose an additional financial burden on those who own and use business aircraft would disproportionately harm hard-working, blue-collar Americans, including the professional pilots of NetJets. In fact, it threatens tens of thousands of well paying U.S. jobs. For this reason, NJASAP urges you to oppose any proposal to impose a per flight user fee on business aircraft.

Regards,

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