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## Dear Airport Patron:

A warm welcome to you from the staff and leadership team of the Rick Husband Amarillo International Airport. Thank you to all of you who continually utilize this airport for your travel needs. The airport staff works very hard to keep the facilities clean and safe, and most importantly, to keep the airport open for business. So far, 2024 has been a great year. We are hoping it will be another year of great positive change and improvement for the airport.

The airport is planning some major pavement replacements starting this year including the replacement of the entrance and loop road (Rosenwald), the road that connects the entrance and the exit (Batson), and the replacement and reconfiguration of the outdoor parking lots. While this construction will most likely cause some temporary disruption to the normal traffic flow, when completed, the new pavements will provide a significantly better experience for all of our travelers. Please be patient with us as we make these much-needed improvements.

Looking back on my 26 years in aviation, I recently asked myself why I like leading and working at the Rick Husband International Airport. Well, I think I should answer that in two ways. First, I like airports in general because they are dynamic places of high emotion. Airports are where people meet relatives and friends who they have not seen for years. And airports are also where people say goodbye for the last time. Airports are hubs for emotional transactions. Secondly, I like the Rick Husband Amarillo International Airport because I get to work with a simply awesome staff, leadership team, and many really terrific City staff. And, opportunities abound here. From land and economic development to air service and technology implementation, this airport has more opportunities than I can list in this letter. It is simply a terrific place and I hope that you agree.

If you are new to Amarillo, I believe you will find most everyone here to be super friendly and very accommodating. The general "vibe" in Amarillo is one of positive change, continual improvement, and hope for an incredible future. In 2024, airport staff will continue to promote our vision of being the most respected airport of choice in the State of Texas. To that end, it is our sincere hope that the Rick Husband Amarillo International Airport is your first choice for air travel in 2024. If Amarillo is your travel destination, we hope you have the opportunity to explore all that Amarillo and the surrounding communities have to offer. If your travel destination is elsewhere, we hope you enjoy your travel experience and look forward to your return.

On behalf of the entire airport staff and the City of Amarillo, I wish you safe travels throughout the year. Thank you for using the Rick Husband Amarillo International Airport.

Sincerely,

Michael W. Conner Director of Aviation