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City of Syracuse

STATEMENT FROM REP. DAN MAFFEI AND MAYOR STEPHANIE MINER ON THE FAA'S DECISION NOT TO ELIMINATE MIDNIGHT SHIFTS AT SYRACUSE HANCOCK AIRPORT

FAA Announces It Will Not Eliminate Midnight Shifts at Syracuse Hancock International Airport's Air Traffic Control Tower

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(Syracuse, NY) – Rep. Dan Maffei (D-NY) and Mayor Stephanie A. Miner made the following statements today regarding the FAA's recent announcement that it will not eliminate midnight shifts at Syracuse Hancock International Airport's air traffic control tower in Fiscal Year 2013.

Rep. Dan Maffei: *"I am pleased the FAA has decided not to eliminate midnight shifts at Syracuse Hancock Airport. Our airport is an important economic anchor that is vital to Central New York's economy. Improving our air service is an important priority. That's why I voted for a bill last week that stopped the furloughs and widespread flight delays. I've partnered with Mayor Miner and other local leaders across Central New York to ensure that families and businesses in our community have access to reliable, safe, on-time air travel. Preventing the elimination of these shifts was an all-hands-on-deck effort and is an example of how when we work together as community we can achieve results and get things done. We need to get serious about addressing the fiscal challenges facing this country and work together to put real long-term solutions in place that protect jobs and ensure our economy can thrive."*

Mayor Stephanie A. Miner: *"We were pleased to learn the FAA will preserve the midnight shift at the Syracuse Hancock Airport. This airport is an economic lifeline for all of Central New York and it is growing. By keeping the midnight shift, we ensure the safety and dependability of Hancock to the flying public. I would like to thank Congressman Dan Maffei for being a valuable and strong partner in our effort to fight for the future of Syracuse's airport."*

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