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March 15, 2013

Mr. J. Michael Nicely
Manager, Texas Airport Development Office
Federal Aviation Administration
2601 Meacham Boulevard
Fort Worth, Texas 76137

Dear Mr. Nicely,

Concerning the Braniff Operations and Maintenance Building located at Love Field in Dallas, Texas, the National Trust for Historic Preservation agrees and supports the Texas Historical Commission's recent determination that the building is historically significant and eligible to be listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Although our staff has not yet toured the building and facilities, we have reviewed numerous reports and images provided to us by our partners, Preservation Dallas. All documents reviewed lead us to the conclusion that the Braniff Operations and Maintenance Building does retain its historic integrity, that later additions and modifications can be removed, and that the structure is eligible for inclusion in the National Register.

The building's significance is both architectural and cultural. Designed by prominent mid-20th century architects William Pereria and Charles Luckman, this modern industrial structure represents the growth and development in commercial aeronautics, specifically the role of design as air travel became more accessible to the general public. The Braniff Operations and Maintenance Building is the last remaining evidence of Braniff's presence at Love Field and the company's impact on modern air travel.

For these reasons, the National Trust believes the Braniff Operations and Maintenance Building is eligible to be listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Designation in such will facilitate a compatible and sensitive reuse of this historic resource at Love Field.

Sincerely,

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Ms. Linda Henderson
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Texas Historical Commission
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Austin, Texas 78711-2276

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