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Tweed New Haven Airport Statement in Response to New Haven Board of Alders' Finance Committee Vote

This evening, the New Haven Board of Alders' Finance Committee unanimously voted to approve a new long-term lease between the City and the Tweed New-Haven Airport Authority. The move is an important milestone in broader plans [announced earlier this year](#) to expand operations at the airport, allowing for more flights and greater convenience for flyers. The matter will be taken up by the full Board of Alders later this year.

Tweed Executive Director Sean Scanlon issued the following statement:

"When we first announced this project, we made clear there were still many steps necessary to make it a reality. Tonight was one of those critical steps, and I want to thank the Finance Committee for their work, their input, and their support for advancing the project. I also want to thank the members of the labor community, the business community, and other residents from throughout New Haven and beyond who have expressed their clear support for a project that will finally turn Tweed New-Haven Airport into a true economic driver for our region."

"Of course, the voices of the airports' closest neighbors and their local elected officials have also been welcomed throughout this process, both at the many public meetings and hearings that have been held and in countless one-on-one conversations. Over the coming weeks, we will continue to work with them to structure a community benefits plan that will best serve the

interests of New Haven and East Haven, particularly those neighbors closest to the airport. As I said at tonight's meeting, we will soon release details of a plan crafted specifically with their input, and we will do so *before* a final vote of the Board of Alders."

"Working together, we can build a new HVN -- an airport that offers more flights to more destinations while also growing jobs for Southern Connecticut."

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