DOT funds will be used for taxiway improvements that will increase airport efficiency

Islip, NY – On Saturday, Rep. Steve Israel (D – Huntington) and Islip Town Supervisor Phil Nolan announced a new federal grant for Long Island MacArthur Airport. The federal Department of Transportation grant, totaling $570,000, will fund taxiway improvements.

"Long Island MacArthur Airport is a job generator for our region. This new federal investment will help enhance the airport's efficiency and safety," said Rep. Israel.

"This key grant will help Long Island's MacArthur Airport remain a hub of economic growth and a thriving center of activity for Islip and all of Long Island," Sen. Chuck Schumer (D – New York) said. "The new taxiways will go a long way in ensuring travelers are comfortable and safe while traveling in and out of MacArthur Airport."

"The taxiway projects will help to improve the efficiency and safety of the airfield," Supervisor Nolan said.

The federal funding will go toward the design to construct Taxiways A, B and D at Long Island MacArthur Airport. The construction of these taxiways will reduce traffic delays, enhance overall aircraft operations and improve airport safety.

Rep. Israel has previously secured millions in federal investments for Long Island MacArthur Airport, including $4,500,828 for runway rehabilitation, $1,000,000 for security improvements and $193,800 for snow removal.

Rep. Israel serves on the House Appropriations Committee.