

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This memorandum of understanding is between the HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY AVIATION AUTHORITY, an independent special district (“HCAA”) and THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA BOARD OF TRUSTEES, a public body corporate (“USF”).

HCAA has exclusive jurisdiction, control, supervision over all public airports in Hillsborough County. The proper operation of the publicly owned or operated airports in Hillsborough County is essential to the safety, security, and welfare of the people of the Tampa Bay area, the state, and its people. The publicly owned or operated airports in Hillsborough County establish a vital transportation link between the state and the economic systems of the nation and the world and enable the state to enjoy and provide the benefits of an international tourist and commercial center.

USF is a public metropolitan university which conducts innovative scholarship, creative activity, and research, and delivers a world-class educational experience promoting the success of its talented and diverse students. USF seeks to be a major social and economic engine creating robust global, national, and regional partnerships to build a prosperous and sustainable future for its regional communities and Florida.

The parties want to collaborate in furtherance of their respective missions as described in this memorandum.

1. **Points of Contact.** The primary points of contact for each party will be as follows:

For HCAA:

Collaboration Contact:

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For USF:

Collaboration Contact:

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2. **Collaboration**

- a. The parties will collaborate to facilitate regional engagement, organize facility tours and other events, pursue research opportunities, cultivate sustainability projects, and develop educational and training programs.
- b. Each party will ensure its collaboration contact identified in this memorandum is available to coordinate the parties’ collaboration under this memorandum.
- c. Each party may designate one or more employees to support its collaboration efforts related to any specific event, research opportunity, sustainability project, or educational or training program.
- d. If the parties identify any specific event, research opportunity, sustainability project, or educational or training program the parties want to implement, the performance of each such activity will be outside this memorandum. The parties will negotiate in good faith a separate written agreement establishing terms for the performance of any such activity.



- e. Each party will make commercially reasonable efforts to participate in the parties' collaboration under this memorandum and cover all costs associated with its efforts.
- f. This memorandum does not obligate either party to provide funding or in-kind support to the other party in support of any event, research opportunity, sustainability project, or educational or training program.
- g. Each party will carry out its activities under this memorandum in accordance with applicable laws, rules, and regulations.
3. **No Warranty.** The parties make no representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of any information or services provided during the collaboration described in this memorandum, as to the merchantability or fitness of such information or services for a particular purpose, or that the use of such information or services will not infringe any patent, copyright, trademark, or other proprietary rights.
4. **Non-binding.** The parties do not intend this memorandum to be legally binding. This memorandum does not create any right, benefit, or trust responsibility, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or equity, by either party, its officers, employees, or agents against the other party, its officers, employees, or agents.

Each party is signing this memorandum on the date stated opposite of that party's signature.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY AVIATION AUTHORITY

By: _____

Name: _____ Date

Title:

THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA

By: _____

Name: _____ Date

Title:

