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**The Hon Michael McCormack MP**  
**Deputy Prime Minister**  
**Minister for Infrastructure and Transport**  
PO BOX 6022, House of Representatives  
Parliament House  
Canberra ACT 2600, Australia

### **AOPA Australia Calls for General Aviation Industry Support**

Deputy Prime Minister,

I write to you on behalf of AOPA Australia seeking your support for our struggling general aviation industry, which is now facing the most serious threat to its survival in living history. The situation facing our industry is unprecedented and will require direct and meaningful support from the Federal Government to successfully navigate our way through.

AOPA Australia is seeking your immediate support to;

- Waive all CASA charges to the general aviation industry;
- Waive all Airservices Australia charges to the general aviation industry;
- Provide GST, PAYG and Company Tax relief for general aviation businesses community;
- Make available government backed interest free loans for general aviation businesses to access fuel and essential aviation services;
- Provide financial support for Professional Financial Advice to general aviation businesses seeking guidance during this difficult period.

We also seek your assistance in making a public call to both privatised and local government operated airports to provide immediate leasehold/rental and user charge relief for general aviation business operators who are facing cashflow shortage.

AOPA Australia would like to meet with you and your staff to discuss the above at the earliest possible time. Given the current situation a conference call may be the most convenient.

Thank you in advance for your assistance and I look forward to speaking soon.

Yours Sincerely,



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