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**SENATOR DODD WELCOMES FAA APPROVAL OF OPERATOR EXEMPTIONS TO
USE SUAS FOR FILMING**

WASHINGTON — *The following is a statement from Senator Chris Dodd, Chairman and CEO of the Motion Picture Association of America, Inc., on today's announcement that the FAA has approved operator exemptions to use small unmanned aircraft systems for filming motion pictures and television:*

"Today's announcement is a victory for audiences everywhere as it gives filmmakers yet another way to push creative boundaries and create the kinds of scenes and shots we could only imagine just a few years ago. Our industry has a history of successfully using this innovative technology overseas – making movies like "Skyfall" and "Transformers: Age of Extinction," to name a couple – and we are proud to now be on the leading edge of its safe commercial use here at home. By creating a climate that further encourages more movie and TV production in the US, today's decision also supports job creation and revenue growth around the country. I commend and thank Secretary Foxx, Administrator Huerta and everyone at the FAA for their leadership and commitment to achieving this great result."

About the MPAA

The Motion Picture Association of America, Inc. (MPAA) serves as the voice and advocate of the American motion picture, home video and television industries from its offices in Los Angeles and Washington, D.C. Its members include: Walt Disney Studios Motion Pictures; Paramount Pictures Corporation; Sony Pictures Entertainment Inc.; Twentieth Century Fox Film Corporation; Universal City Studios LLC; and Warner Bros. Entertainment Inc.

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