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Opelika Chamber to Host Senator Jeff Sessions for Business Over Breakfast

Opelika, USA -- September 5, 2008 – The Opelika Chamber of Commerce will host United States Senator Jeff Sessions (R) at Business Over Breakfast on Monday, September 22, 2008 at the Auburn Marriott Opelika at Grand National.

About to complete his second six-year term of service, Sessions is running for re-election as the junior Senator from Alabama. He will be opposed on November 4th by state Senator Vivian Davis Figures (D) of Mobile.

"Given that this is an election year and Senator Sessions is running for re-election, we are pleased to be hosting him for Business Over Breakfast," says Wendi Routhier, President of the Opelika Chamber of Commerce. "While the Opelika Chamber does not endorse candidates, we feel it is important to give our members every opportunity to have access to the men and women who represent them on the local, state and federal levels.

In the past month, Sessions announced that federal funding for the Auburn-Opelika Robert G. Pitts Airport to the tune of \$162,168 from the Airport Improvement Program, an initiative of the Federal Aviation Administration. New terminals, loading ramps and taxiways will result from this endeavor.

"Lee County has experienced tremendous economic growth" Sessions said in a recent statement. "Kia, Hyundai, and their suppliers are examples of major businesses that see the Auburn-Opelika Airport as an important commercial resource in the area. A modern airport will only enhance the area's potential to attract new business and industry. I am pleased the FAA recognizes the need to invest in the Robert G. Pitts airport."

Sessions, born in Selma and currently a resident of Mobile, was elected to the Senate in 1996 following the retirement of Howell Heflin (D) of Tuscumbia.

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