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Via Email

Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers,

As you know, the FAA recently implemented a new procedure using GPS technology rather than radar for landing flights at LAX. The program, known as NextGen, is intended to streamline air traffic and fuel efficiency. Unfortunately, this new flight protocol has concentrated flights over very narrow areas which previously did not experience a large volume of airplane noise; resulting in residents suffering from quality of life and health issues. The noise pollution has significant impacts not only as a disruptive force, but also can cause short, medium, and long-term health problems. NextGen is affecting hundreds of thousands of Angelenos, and we need your help.

One of the greatest constituent frustrations is that the FAA is not adhering to its own protocol with most flights flying below the minimum required altitude at the DAHJR waypoint. In addition, the next waypoint, which sits in the middle of our district, has no minimum altitude. The communities of Council Districts 1, 8 and 9, among others, are asking our elected officials to take urgent action on our behalf.

We are writing to ask of your help. Please help your constituents maintain their quality of life by working with the necessary representatives and organizations to make the FAA follow its own existing guidelines with respect to minimum altitude,



establish minimum altitudes where they are absent, and work with the community to identify ways to mitigate the negative impacts. This should include effective action when the guidelines are ignored.

The NANDC Board authorized this letter by motion at its November 2, 2017 general Board meeting. In addition, the Board designated USC Interest Representative, Dr. Amy Carnes, as our liaison and NANDC representative for this specific issue. Dr. Carnes may be reached at amy.carnes@usc.edu.

We look forward to receiving updates on this matter.

Sincerely,

Adrienne Kuhre, President  
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