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The Honorable Warren Slocum, President
San Mateo County Board of Supervisors
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Redwood City, California 94063

Dear Supervisor Slocum and Members of the Board,

I write to you regarding your continuing efforts to address the increased aircraft noise caused by arrivals and departures specific to San Carlos Airport. As you know, this issue has long affected our mutual constituents in Atherton, Redwood City, Menlo Park, and Palo Alto. I'm concerned that while the proposed Surf Air trial arrival route that you have supported might alleviate some of the impacts on our mutual constituents in San Mateo County, it is not an equitable solution and is shifting the problem over the cities of Mountain View and Sunnyvale.

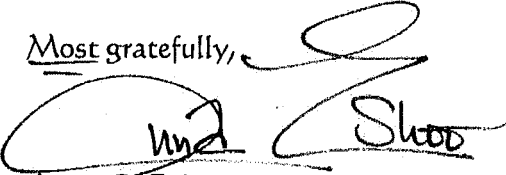
In my June 14th letter to Supervisors Slocum and Horsley (which I have not yet received a response to), I asked whether measures are being considered to mitigate any new noise generated and I requested that all affected cities be included in the transparent evaluation of this new route with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). It is unacceptable if any one community is left out of this process. It's imperative that a thorough, transparent and democratic process that includes the input and participation of all affected parties, including the cities of Mountain View and Sunnyvale, is conducted. Anything less than this is insufficient and anti-democratic.

I would appreciate receiving notification ahead of any public meetings pertaining to the current trial route and/or additional measures to reduce noise associated with San Carlos Airport. In the meantime, I'm directing my constituents to report any noticeable increase in noise to the San Carlos Airport.

I recognize that there is potential for this trial route to reduce the impact of noise over our mutual constituents in San Mateo County. However, if this route has an adverse impact on Mountain View and Sunnyvale and there is not a process to consider the concerns of all of my constituents before the FAA considers granting it permanent status, I will oppose this measure. I encourage the Board to work so that there will be

an equitable addressing of the impact of departures as the current trial route only concerns arrivals. Once again, if voluntary measures fail to solve this problem, I urge the Board to take mandatory measures for the benefit of all affected communities and not just a few.

Most gratefully,



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Member of Congress

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Mr. George Rodericks, City Manager, Town of Atherton
Mr. Alex D. McIntyre, City Manager, City of Menlo Park
Mr. James Keene, City Manager, City of Palo Alto
Ms. Melissa Stevenson Diaz, City Manager, City of Redwood City
Mr. Jeff Potter, President and CEO, Surf Air