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June 22, 2015

Re: Lack of Significant Progress on Los Angeles Helicopter Noise Initiative

Dear Honorable Senators and Representatives:

The Federation of Hillside and Canyon Associations, Inc., founded in 1952, represents 44 resident and homeowner associations comprising approximately 200,000 constituents spanning the Santa Monica Mountains in Los Angeles. The Federation's mission is to protect the property and the quality of life of the residents of the Santa Monica Mountains and other hillside areas of Los Angeles and its environs, and to encourage and promote those policies and programs which will best preserve the natural topography and wildlife of the mountains and hillsides for the benefit of all the people of Los Angeles.

At our June 3, 2015 meeting, the Hillside Federation voted its unanimous support for the Los Angeles Area Helicopter Noise Coalition (LAAHNC) and its ongoing efforts to reduce helicopter noise impacts across Los Angeles County. In the last three years, the LAAHNC has held 55 meetings with the Federal Aviation Administration and helicopter pilots as it works to develop realistic and effective voluntary measures that will significantly reduce helicopter noise. The Hillside Federation understands the need for *significant* reduction in helicopter noise impacts through whatever methods are necessary, supports LAAHNC's continuing efforts, and hopes meaningful resolution to this mounting noise problem can be achieved in the near future.

Sincerely,

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cc: Anthony Foxx, Secretary, U.S. Department of Transportation Michael Huerta, Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration Glen Martin, Regional Administrator, FAA Western-Pacific Region