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Dear Residents of the **Humber River-Black Creek** Community,

I trust this letter finds you in good health and spirits, despite the ongoing concern we share regarding aircraft noise in our community. I write to you today to provide an update on the proactive efforts being undertaken to address this persistent issue that affects all of us.

I have been actively engaged in discussions with the GTAA caucus and the Minister of Transportation's office to address the numerous complaints filed with the GTAA. I continue to work towards practical solutions **to mitigate the impact of aircraft noise on our community**.

A significant development in this regard is the introduction of **Bill C-52**, a legislative initiative, which aims to address the concerns raised by communities, including ours, about the adverse effects of aircraft noise: ***An Act to enact the Air Transportation Accountability Act and to amend the Canada Transportation Act and the Canada Marine Act.***

The proposed legislation aims to create a more accountable, transparent, and accessible national transportation system. It establishes a formal process for notifying and consulting the public on changes to airspace designs that affect aircraft noise near airports. Requirements apply to airports with more than 60,000 instrument flight rules movements per year.

The 1st Reading of the Bill was 20-06-2023; the 2nd Reading began 27-10-2023 and remains in progress. After the vote on 2nd Reading has occurred; the Bill will be sent to the Transportation Committee.

At this time you can contribute to the process by **Completing and Signing the Petition** on the attached page. You are encouraged to invite neighbours to sign the Petition too.

Your support in making our collective voice heard is crucial. To empower our community in this effort, we invite you to participate in this advocacy. Reach out to neighbours to gather signatures and contribute to our effort. I will present the signed Petition to the House of Commons.

Your involvement and support are invaluable for meaningful impact. Let us work together to address the challenge of aircraft noise and create positive change for our community.

You can also express your concerns individually in writing to the Clerk of the Transportation Committee whose contact information is available from my office.

Thank you in advance for your support,

Sincerely,

Hon. Judy A. Sgro, MP Member of Parliament Humber River-Black Creek



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PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS
(Petition No. 441-02385)

WHEREAS:

- *Transport Canada* must address ongoing aircraft-induced noise and emissions pollution by exercising its authority to implement necessary actions to mitigate the impact on the Humber River-Black Creek community resulting from aircraft departing from and arriving at Pearson Airport;
- It is concerning that NAV Canada has not implemented sufficiently effective mitigation strategies, such as absolute nighttime curfews to shield our neighborhoods from excessive noise disturbances;
- We firmly believe that environmental responsibility extends to addressing both air pollution and the adverse effects of noise on the health of our residents; when noise exceeds acceptable limits, it poses a significant threat to our well-being and safety;
- It is crucial for *Transport Canada* to recognize this exacerbating problem and take appropriate measures to safeguard our community.

THEREFORE:

- We, the undersigned residents of the Humber River-Black Creek community, call upon the *Government of Canada* to:
- Promptly assess nighttime noise and pollution caused by aircraft activities in our community; Collaborate with *NAV Canada* to develop effective mitigation strategies, considering curfews and other noise reduction measures, such as the installation of noise monitoring stations– north-west of West Humber Collegiate on the flight path of Runway 05/23 aircraft.
- Establish and enforce noise level regulations on aircraft ensuring they remain within acceptable limits;
- Conduct regular monitoring and reporting to the public that ensures compliance with noise regulations;
- Engage in transparent communication with the Humber River-Black Creek community, keeping residents informed of progress and future plans.

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