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March 18, 2015

Hon. Larry Cantwell and East Hampton Town Board 159 Pantigo Road East Hampton, New York 11937

Dear Supervisor Cantwell and Members of the Board:

Thank you for allowing the opportunity to comment on four proposed local laws that would regulate certain aircraft operations at the East Hampton Airport.

First, please allow the Village to commend the efforts of the Town in seeking to address a long-standing and difficult issue that has caused concerns over the quality of life for many East End homeowners. The task you have dealt yourself is daunting and complex and your due diligence should be commended.

Second, it is important to note that in the Legislative Intent of the four drafts, the Town states, in part:

"The Town Board is committed to balancing the need to address the impact of the aircraft noise on the Town's environment and the equally important need to maintain an economically viable and safe airport for East Hampton."

This is an important statement and one that is supported by this Village Board of Trustees. Therefore, in supporting measures like those that are proposed by the Town, many interests are being balanced. In addition, we would support the close review of all impacts of any enacted legislation after the "season" to see if the anticipated goals were met and if any amendments are warranted either to ease restriction or impose more.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to address the proposals currently before the Town Board. Your careful deliberation on this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Paul F. Rickenbach, Jr.

-on behalf of the Board of Trustees

cc: Board of Trustees