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March 14, 2016

Cliff Lentz, Chair
SFO Airport/Community Roundtable
Brisbane City Hall
50 Park Place
Brisbane, CA 94005

Re: Two Entities to Provide Recommendations to FAA

Dear Mr. Lentz:

I recognize the importance of the SFO Airport/Community Roundtable as a valuable voice for the residents of San Francisco and San Mateo Counties for 35 years. In its early years I had the privilege of being the Board of Supervisors representative on the Roundtable.

Some SFO Airport/Community Roundtable members have asked for clarification on the *FAA Initiatives* process. As you know, in response to Congressional inquiries regarding noise from San Francisco Airport, and after receiving widespread community input, the FAA provided a list of possible flight procedure changes in their *FAA Initiatives* report. As part of the process associated with that report I am pleased that the FAA will recognize and work closely with two separate public entities to review any proposed changes to SFO flight procedures.

The **Select Committee on South Bay Arrivals** has been established by Congresswoman Anna Eshoo, Congressman Sam Farr and me. The *Select Committee* will be the primary entity to receive FAA proposals, solicit and receive public comment and ultimately provide recommendations to the FAA on the *FAA Initiatives* items relating to SFO arrivals affecting Santa Cruz County, Santa Clara County and southern San Mateo County. Each Congressional Office will appoint four members and four alternates to this *Select Committee*. The members and alternates will be elected officials from the respective Congressional Districts. The members will be selected by the end of March.

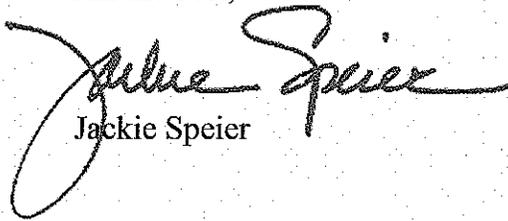
The long-standing **SFO Airport/Community Roundtable** will be the primary entity to receive FAA proposals, solicit and receive public comment and ultimately provide recommendations to the FAA on the remainder of the *FAA Initiatives* items including SFO departures as well as SFO arrivals affecting the north Bay including San Francisco and San Mateo Counties.

In the infrequent situation where an *FAA Initiative* item is determined by either the SFO Roundtable or the Select Committee to be within the purview of both entities, the FAA will engage separately with each entity on that item and will ultimately receive a recommendation from each entity.

The FAA continues to review each of the items in the *FAA Initiatives* and plans to provide an update on each item in mid to late April.

I look forward to working with both the Select Committee and the SFO Airport/Community Roundtable to reduce the SFO noise impact on our constituents.

All the best,



Jackie Speier

CC: Honorable Anna Eshoo
Honorable Sam Farr
Honorable Board of Supervisors, San Mateo County
Members of the SFO Airport/Community Roundtable
Glen Martin, FAA Regional Administrator, Western-Pacific Region