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Planning and Housing Committee of City Council City of Toronto
Toronto City Hall
100 Queen Street West
Toronto, ON
M5H 2N2

RE: PH31.5 - Billy Bishop Airport Proposed Expansion: Response to Council Request for Information on Housing and Transportation Impacts

Dear Councillors,

The Cliffcrest Scarborough Village Southwest Residents Association (CSVSWRA) is an incorporated not-for-profit organization that works to preserve the character, safety, and livability of our neighbourhoods. On behalf of CSVSWRA, we wish to express our opposition to the proposed expansion of the Billy Bishop Airport to accommodate jets without due process.

While we understand the importance of transportation infrastructure and regional connectivity, we believe expanding the airport would create significant negative impacts for Toronto residents, the waterfront, and the surrounding environment.

First, increased airport activity would worsen noise pollution for nearby communities and all communities in the nearby flight paths. Residents already experience frequent aircraft noise, and additional flights or larger aircraft would further impact quality of life, including sleep, mental well-being, and enjoyment of public waterfront spaces.

Second, expansion would likely increase traffic congestion and strain local infrastructure in the downtown core. Additional passenger volume would place further pressure on roads, transit systems, rideshare access, and public services in an area that is already heavily congested. We are also concerned about the environmental consequences. Expanding airport operations would contribute to greater greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution at a time when all levels of government are working toward climate sustainability goals. The Toronto waterfront and harbour area are valuable public and ecological assets that should be protected, not subjected to greater environmental stress.

Furthermore, the continued expansion of the airport risks undermining the long-term vision for Toronto's waterfront as a vibrant, accessible, and community-focused space. Public waterfront lands should prioritize recreation, tourism, housing, green space, and environmentally responsible development rather than increased aviation activity.

We urge the Committee to recommend to Council that the City:

- Formally petition the Federal Government to insist that the City needs to be added back into the Tripartite Agreement, and offer to co-sponsor the Federal Government's announced public consultation about the Ontario Provincial Government proposal to expand the Billy Bishop Airport in order to ensure that all changes to plans for the Toronto Waterfront undergo full and complete consultation with residents of all affected communities.
- Ensure compliance with the requirement for free, prior, and informed consent by the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

Best regards,



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cc: Councillor Paul Ainslie
cc: Councillor Parthi Kandavel
cc. Mayor Olivia Chow