RESOLUTION NO. C-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LONG BEACH REAFFIRMING AND SUPPORTING
THE CITY’S EXISTING AIRPORT NOISE COMPATIBILITY
ORDINANCE AND THE CURRENT AIRLINE FLIGHT SLOT
LIMITATIONS CONTAINED THEREIN

WHEREAS, in 1995, the City adopted its “Airport Noise Compatibility”
ordinance (the “Ordinance”) as Chapter 16.43 of the Long Beach Municipal Code; and
WHEREAS, said Ordinance was adopted as part of a proposed
settlement of longstanding airport noise litigation between the City and a number of air
 carriers and other users of the Long Beach Municipal Airport; and
WHEREAS, the Ordinance reflects a reasonable balance between the
valid concerns of the Long Beach Community pertaining to noise related issues and the
demand for a safe, fair and efficient national transportation system; and
WHEREAS, taking into consideration environmental, social, economic,
legal and other matters, the Ordinance places reasonable and non-arbitrary limitations
on the number of daily air carrier, commuter carrier, industrial, and general aviation
flights operating to and from the Long Beach Municipal Airport; and
WHEREAS, as the proprietor of the Municipal Airport, the City’s goal of
reducing flight related noise through reasonable and rational regulation of flight traffic in
order to enhance and improve the human environment is a legitimate one and is in
keeping with federal, state and local laws and regulations relating to Airport operation;
and
WHEREAS, the City’s “2010 Strategic Plan” establishes a goal and vison
that the City strive to retain a clean, safe, healthy and prosperous environ where
residents, business and government act as partners to balance growth, the
environment, and cultural and neighborhood interests in order to create healthy places
for people of all lifestyles, cultures, and perspectives to flourish, live, learn and
contribute; and

WHEREAS, the current noise and flight restrictions at the Long Beach
Airport, as embodied in the Ordinance, are in keeping with those visions and goals
expressed by the City's 2010 Strategic Plan; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 Strategic Plan recommends that expansion of
Airport related business opportunities occur only within the confines of the City's
existing Noise Compatibility Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Southern California region has also embraced the City's
efforts and vision toward balanced growth and environmental responsibility through the
adoption of the Southern California Association of Government's ("SCAG") 2001
Regional Transportation Plan, the Aviation Element of which, calls for the Long Beach
Municipal Airport to accommodate a level of airline passengers through the year 2025
which is consistent with the activity levels established and permitted by the City's
existing Noise Compatibility Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the latest Census 2000 data reveals that the City of Long
Beach has a population of 461,522 persons, which population ranks Long Beach as the
52nd densest city over 50,000 persons in the United States, and furthermore that the
Long Beach Municipal Airport is located in the heart of the City thereby having a
profound effect on the many citizens residing adjacent to the Airport or who are
otherwise affected by the flight patterns emanating from the airport;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves
as follows:

Section 1. That a quality living and learning environment in stable
neighborhoods is a principal goal of the City. That in order to achieve said goal it is
necessary and important to balance the sometimes conflicting legitimate and essential
needs of residential, environmental, educational, and air commerce related interests in
a thorough, realistic, and practical approach in order to insure that the City maintains a
superior quality of life for its citizens, tourists and other visitors.

Sec. 2. That the City reaffirms and supports the reasonable and
legitimate noise and flight related restrictions as established by Chapter 16.43 of the
Long Beach Municipal Code, which restrictions strike a balance between the legitimate
environmental and social concerns of the City's residents and the need for an efficient
national air transportation system.

Sec. 3. That the noise and flight related restrictions established by
Chapter 16.43 of the Long Beach Municipal Code, which restrictions were adopted after
many years of litigation, negotiation and environmental review and evaluation, shall
remain in place and unmodified.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by
the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify to the vote adopting this resolution.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City
Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of____________________, 2002.

by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: ________________________________

Noes: Councilmembers: ________________________________

Absent: Councilmembers: ________________________________

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City Clerk