

## Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council

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## VIA FACSIMILE AND E-MAIL

Los Angeles City Council City Hall 200 North Spring St. Los Angeles, CA 90012

## Re: Opposition to Proposed Curfew at Bob Hope Airport

Dear Members of the City Council,

The Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council ("LBNC") represents approximately 80,000 stakeholders who live, work and participate in the Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council area, which includes the Van Nuys Airport.

On June 4, 2008, the LBNC discussed the proposed curfew at Bob Hope Airport and voted unanimously to *strongly oppose* the late-night and early-morning ban on flights from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. now being considered by the City Council

As a direct result of this proposed curfew, more than 33 flights would be rerouted to Van Nuys Airport during these late night hours, and more to other airports. The resulting shift of noise is unacceptable. The residents living in the areas surrounding Van Nuys Airport need the same protection from noise from late-night takeoffs and landings as residents living near the Bob Hope Airport.

As the neighborhood council representing the stakeholders in the area directly affected by the shift of this late night airport noise, we urge you, our City Council to join the stakeholders in the Lake Balboa community in strongly opposing the proposed curfew and to use all the influence you have available to you to make sure such a shortsighted plan, which will merely dump one community's pain onto others, is stopped.

Thank you,

David A. Bernardoni President Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council

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