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The Honorable Marion Blakey
Administrator
Federal Aviation Administration
800 Independence Avenue, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20591

Dear Administrator Blakey:

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is currently accepting comment on its proposal to codify current flight restrictions in the National Capital region. Comments are due to the FAA by November 2.

The General Aviation Manufacturers Association (GAMA) respectfully request that public hearings be held in order to receive additional public comment and feedback on this proposal. While I certainly understand and agree that security measures are needed to adequately protect the National Capital region, I believe the best way to address these measures is in close coordination with the airmen who fly in and around this airspace.

I believe the FAA, the Department of Homeland Security, and the Department of Defense should participate in these public hearings in order to not only hear comment on the proposal but also to improve communication and education among all participants. GAMA believes communication and information sharing is the best way to address aviation security issues in the National Capital region.

Thank you for your consideration and personal attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

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President & CEO