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The Honourable Lisa Raitt, M.P.  
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House of Commons  
Ottawa, Ontario Canada K1A 0A6

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Dear Minister Raitt,

On behalf of the Town of Oakville councillors copied below, I am writing you regarding Oakville constituents who are negatively affected by the highly concentrated arrivals route at Toronto Pearson Airport. This adverse impact is the direct result of the changes made by Nav Canada in 2012 to Toronto Pearson's Standard Terminal Arrival Route procedures wherein one approach leg was widened and a new altitude restriction was instituted. At no time did NavCanada undertake consultation prior to implementation with the communities now negatively affected by these changes.

We recently met with representatives of **Toronto Aircraft Noise Group (T.A.N.G.)** and were presented with a copy of their November 2014 submission referred to as **The Inch Report**. We have reviewed this report and find it to be one that provides detailed solutions that are both safe and manageable. They will reduce noise, reduce GHG emissions and provide savings for the airlines involved.

As you undertake further review and deliberations with Transport Canada, NavCanda and other industry decision makers, we ask that full consideration be given to the proposed recommendations of The Inch Report. They represent innovative and effective solutions to the problem created by Nav Canada three years ago.

We look forward to learning that a resolution has been found and that swift implementation of The Inch Report's Short Term and Longer Term solutions will follow.

Sincerely,

Councillor Jeff Knoll, Ward 5

cc. Councillor Allan Elgar, Ward 4  
cc. Councillor Roger Lapworth, Ward 4  
cc. Councillor Marc Grant, Ward 5  
cc. Councillor Max Khan, Ward 6  
cc: Councillor Tom Adams, Ward 6