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Dear Members of the Town Board of East Hampton,

The Noyac Civic Council stands by the residents in our Southampton hamlets that have been disproportionately impacted for over a decade by aircraft transitioning on approach or departure from KHTO, East Hampton Airport.

The aviation assault on thousands of noise-affected families continues unabated. Despite years of pleas for help from the residents of Southampton, the aviation noise and pollution over our hamlets has only intensified.

- In 2019, there were 30,000 flight operations at KHTO. To end June, 2021, the numbers of flights have increased exponentially: jets +76%, pistons +21%.
- There have been dangerous incidents under the flight paths including unlawful seaplane landings in the bays, a near-miss collision over Bridgehampton homes, a reckless low-altitude flight over Sag Harbor Village.
- The airport threatens air quality and sits above some of our deepest sole source groundwater supply and is within the Town's Water Recharge Overlay District.

We are asking the Town of East Hampton to accept responsibility for all the toxic impacts KHTO airport operations inflict upon thousands of people, many of whom live far from the airport.

We call on you to do the right thing for your community, your nearest neighbors on the East End, communities as far away as NYC, and for future generations:

End the airport operations that are damaging our quality of life.

Respectfully,

The Noyac Civic Council

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