

GREATER ARLINGTON CIVIC COUNCIL, INC.

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The Board of Directors of The Greater Arlington Civic Council, Inc., at its regular meeting of Thursday, September 6, 2007, reaffirmed its long-standing position to oppose any runway extension at Craig Airport and unanimously approved the following Resolution.

WHEREAS, The Greater Arlington Civic Council, Inc. has been on the record since 1983 as being opposed to runway extensions at Craig Airport, and

WHEREAS, Since adoption in 1990, the City of Jacksonville's 2010 Comprehensive Plan has clearly stated that there will be no runway extensions at Craig Field, and

WHEREAS, The City Council adopted Resolution 2000-746 expressing opposition to extending the runway at Craig Airport on January 23, 2001.

WHEREAS, The Jacksonville Port Authority board of directors approved a Resolution on January 29, 2001 stating:

"**Whereas**, the Jacksonville Port Authority must consider all public policy implications of their projects.

"**Now therefore, be it resolved** by the Board of the Directors of the Jacksonville Port Authority as follows:

"While there are numerous aviation and business reasons to support runway extensions at Craig Airport, because of community concerns the Jacksonville Port Authority will not pursue this and will discontinue efforts to do so.", and

WHEREAS, The Jacksonville Planning and Development Department issued the following statement on August 12, 1999: "Statement Concerning Craig Field Airport The Department will not support the expansion of Craig Field unless the expansion is agreed upon and supported by the surrounding neighborhoods and residents of the community." and

WHEREAS, The Greater Arlington-Beaches Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) initially (on November 19, 1999) adopted the *Report of the CPAC Transportation Committee on Craig Airport* and "voted overwhelmingly to stand opposed to the extension of the runway at Craig", and

WHEREAS, The Greater Arlington-Beaches Citizens Planning Advisory Committee again, on August 13, 2007, unanimously approved a resolution of opposition to the most recent proposal by the Jacksonville Aviation Authority to amend the 2010 Comprehensive Plan to allow a runway extension at Craig Airport, and .

WHEREAS, Several members of the GACC have participated in the Jacksonville Aviation Authority (JAA) Craig Airport Citizens Advisory Committee (CACAC) since its inception in 1999, GACC is fully informed on all facts related to the proposed runway extension.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the The Greater Arlington Civic Council, Inc (GACC) stands in opposition to any effort to extend runways at Craig Airport.

The City of Jacksonville has a clear responsibility to honor the covenant with the people that clearly states that no runway extensions will be allowed at Craig Airport.

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