RESOLUTION NO. 2018-11

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A NON-BINDING JOINT STATEMENT TO ADDRESS THE NOISE IMPACT OF THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY AIRPORT.

WHEREAS, the Cuyahoga County Airport once governed by the Cuyahoga County Commissioners, now under the auspices of the Cuyahoga County Department of Public Works is located in a residential neighborhood of the City of Richmond Heights with a flight path that directly impacts the residential neighborhoods of the City of Willoughby Hills; and

WHEREAS, the operation of said Airport constitutes a makeup of general aviation aircraft, all types and classes; and

WHEREAS, there was a concern on the part of the Board of Cuyahoga County Commissioners and the citizens of the communities surrounding the airport that the operation and activity at the airport may generate an adverse noise impact on the surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, due to such concern, the Board of County Commissioners of Cuyahoga County, resolved that a Joint Statement among the Cities of Highland Heights, Richmond Heights, Willoughby Hills and the major users and tenants of the airport for voluntary noise abatement procedures for use at the Cuyahoga County Airport for the Department of Development/Airport Division, effective June 17, 2010 be approved; and

WHEREAS, within said approved Joint Statement the following was agreed upon: the Board of Cuyahoga County Commissioners, the Airport Administration, the Air Traffic Control facility, the major users and tenants of the airport, in a joint effort commit to minimize noise impact to the environment in the vicinity of Cuyahoga County Airport, shall agree to and abide by, to the best of their ability of current and future operations, conditions, procedures and policies enumerated within the Joint Statement; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Statement encouraged all types and classes of aircraft to abide by the National Business Aircraft Associations (NBAA) Noise Abatement Procedures, and other local procedures as applicable and amended from time-to-time by the Noise Abatement Council (NAC) through education and coordination with the Air Traffic Control Tower (ATCT). These procedures are recommended as the standard for all operations where aircraft manufactures have not recommended specific procedures; and

WHEREAS, at the Noise Abatement Council Meeting held on April 9, 2015 the Co-Chair of the Noise Abatement Council proposed to permanently exempt single engine aircraft from the Joint Statement of County Airport and Airport Users Agreement; and

WHEREAS, on June 11, 2015, Council adopted Resolution No. 2015-5 – As Amended, a resolution strongly urging the County of Cuyahoga, the Airport Administration, the Air Traffic Control facility, the major users and tenants of the airport to uphold and abide by the Joint Statement of County Airport and Airport Users Agreement and to continue in a joint effort to commit to immunizing noise impact to the environment in the vicinity of the Cuyahoga County Airport; and
WHEREAS, on November 14, 2017, the Joint Statement was recently revised and re-voted on by the County of Cuyahoga, on behalf of the Airport Administration (AA), the Federal Aviation Administration Air Traffic Control Facility (“ATC”), the Airport tenants and users as identified on the signature page (“Tenants and Users”), the City of Highland Heights, the City of Richmond Heights and the City of Willoughby Hills, collectively the Noise Abatement Council (NAC) to the noise impact of Cuyahoga County Airport. Said Agreement consisting of five (5) pages is attached hereto as the “Exhibit A”.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF OHIO THAT:

SECTION 1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Joint Statement for the Cuyahoga County Airport by and among the County of Cuyahoga, on behalf of the Airport Administration (AA), the Federal Aviation Administration Air Traffic Control Facility (“ATC”), the Airport tenants and users as identified on the signature page (“Tenants and Users”), the City of Highland Heights, the City of Richmond Heights and the City of Willoughby Hills, collectively the Noise Abatement Council (NAC) to the noise impact of Cuyahoga County Airport. Said Agreement consisting of five (5) pages is attached hereto as the “Exhibit A”.

SECTION 2. The Clerk of Council is hereby directed to forward certified copies of this Resolution to the Federal Aviation Administration, the County of Cuyahoga and all appropriate State and Federal elected representatives.

SECTION 3. The actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this legislation were conducted in lawful meetings of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Willoughby Hills.

SECTION 4. This Resolution shall be in full force and take effect at the earliest time permitted by law.

PASSED: [Signature], 2018

Nancy E. Fellows
President of Council

Submitted to the Mayor for his approval on this [Signature] day of [Signature], 2018

Approved by the Mayor

[Signature], 2018

Robert M. Weger
Mayor

ATTEST:

Victoria Ann Savage, CMC
Clerk of Council