News Advisory

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Queens Civics, Residents Rally against Airport Noise & Polution
Sunday, October 11, 2:00 p.m. @ Unisphere in Flushing Meadows-Corona Park

Join Queens residents upset at air pollution, airplane noise and fallen airplane parts as they send a message to the aviation industry that Queens cares. The Bowne Park Civic Association, Sane Aviation for Everyone (SAFE), Inc., the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), the New York Public Interest Research Group(NYPIRG), the League for the Hard of Hearing and the Queens Civic Congress sponsor a rally against airport noise and pollution, Sunday, October 11, 2:00 p.m. @ Unisphere in Flushing Meadows-Corona Park. The Queens Civic Congress and President Sean M. Walsh strongly support this effort, including promoting the rally in its last two newsletters. For Information: Ellen Cava, event spokesperson, Bowne Park Civic Association, at (718) 886-6370.

Queens Civics and residents and their supporters demand:
1. Remove the old noisy and polluting 727's from operating in high density urban areas like ours.
2. Legislate and enforce a curfew from 10pm to 7am
3. Role back fights per day to 1990 levels.
4. Aviation industry accountability to communities surrounding the airports.
5. Reduce toxic emissions linked to cancer, asthma, lung disease
6. Pres. Clinton to immediately refund the Office of Abatement and Control
7. Reduce Aircraft Noise, pass the [Member of Congress Nita] Lowey Quiet Communities Act.
8. Measure Air Pollution, by actively working for a Bubble Bill to make the airports responsible for their activities.
9. Enforce the High Density Rule
10. Plan for a long range intermodal transportation system with high speed train, so that air shuttles become an exception rather than a rule.
11. Disband the Borough President's Queens Aviation Advisory Council

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[Editor's Note: A service of the Queens Civic Congress includes assisting member organizations publicize major events and issues.]