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*Re: Opposition to San Diego Mayor's compromise proposals for Sunroad building*

Dear Ms. McDonald, Mr. Brown and Mr. Haggerty,

The Gillespie Pilots Association (KSEE) is aware of your determination that the Sunroad building being constructed near Montgomery Airport (KMYF) in San Diego is a hazard to navigation. We urge you to refuse the compromises proposed by Mayor Sanders, as well as refuse any other compromises proposed by any other person, firm, or real estate developer.

In his letter to you dated May 18, 2007, Mayor Sanders admitted "It is apparent that the City failed to stop work on the project and prevent the building from reaching 180 feet after it knew of the FAA's concerns." He also wrote "I support your findings that the building must be reduced in size so that it is no longer a hazard to public safety." The Gillespie Pilots Association finds that those two statements provide sufficient guidance to you to reject Mayor Sanders' compromise proposals. Neither the City nor the developer should be released from their obligation to conform to the building height limit of 160 feet. Any compromise will degrade Montgomery Airport operations and open the floodgates for other developers to make the same "mistake" on other buildings.

Sincerely,

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