



**A RESOLUTION OF THE INLAND VALLEY BUSINESS ALLIANCE IN SUPPORT OF THE TRANSFER OF ONTARIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (ONT) TO LOCAL CONTROL.**

**WHEREAS**, local control of airports in Southern California has been shown to be conducive to development of successful regional airports because the airport sponsor has a vested interest in the airport making the greatest contribution to its economy.

**WHEREAS**, local control of ONT will help ensure that all of Southern California will have sufficient airport capacity to meet the long-term demand for air travel in the region.

**WHEREAS**, on January 7, 2011, the Los Angeles Economic Development Corporation called on Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) to shift control of ONT as well as the responsibility and risk that comes with that control to another entity so LAWA can focus more of its energy on modernizing Los Angeles International Airport.

**WHEREAS**, on November 29, 2010, the Alliance for a Regional Solution to Airport Congestion (ARSAC) urged the Los Angeles Board of Airport Commissioners to transfer ONT airport management decisions to the local Ontario area in pursuit of a regional airport system that can better address ONT patronage decline and regional service demands.

**WHEREAS**, on September 2, 2010, the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Regional Council enacted a resolution recommending the transfer of ONT to local control as being in the best interests of Los Angeles and the Southern California region. SCAG further stated that under local control, ONT can recover from the economic downturn of the past several years while positioning itself for long-term growth, consistent with the reorganization of air traffic contemplated in SCAG's Regional Transportation Plan.

**WHEREAS**, after transfer to local control, ONT can operate on the same basis as airports in Burbank, Orange County, Long Beach and Palm Springs - as low-cost secondary airports under local control.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Inland Valley Business Alliance hereby supports the transfer of ONT to local control in furtherance of airport regionalization and the region's economy.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Inland Valley Business Alliance requests the cities of Los Angeles and Ontario commit the necessary resources and effort to affect the transfer of ONT to local control at the earliest possible date.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Corporate Secretary shall communicate this action of the Inland Valley Business Alliance to the Mayors of Los Angeles and Ontario, the Acting Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, and state and federal elected representatives.

**Resolution 1-12**

**APPROVED BY:** Norm MacKenzie, President/CEO

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