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Dear: Mr. Norderud

My letter is to protest the airport expansion in Hamilton MT.

I live about a mile from said airport in the Tammany View Heights subdivision. Airplanes fly over my home daily. My husband died in December of 2008. Before his death one of those planes went down in a field close to our house. He saw it and told me to call 911. The pilot was carrying a cargo to Idaho. The plane was overloaded so was unable to get into the air. He could have struck one of the homes in our neighborhood, maybe even my house. Therefore, I feel it is a safety issue to the residents who live close to the airport in the event another plane should go down. It might not make it to an adjacent field but instead land on one of the homes.

For over 50 years, we lived in Flathead Valley. I grew up south of Whitefish and Whitefish High School is my alma mater. My classmates were Ray Zinke and Jean Harlow who married and became the parents of Ryan Zinke, current candidate for the US congressional seat. Ray had taken a flight from Kalispell City Airport a few years ago and died when his plane crashed into a home on Airport Road. Fortunately, none of the occupants in the home were injured. It is another example of a safety issue for the nearby residents. The above 2 events were recorded in the news at that time.

Our address in Kalispell was 819 Helena Flats Road, approximately 5 miles from Glacier International Airport. Whenever Delta, Northwestern, Alaska Air or whatever carrier flew out of that airport, took off, they flew over our house. The vibrations from the noise of that fly-over, were so strong that our house shook and created nail pops causing structural damage. The noise from the engines warming up before takeoff was extremely loud; one really should have hearing protection when those planes took off.

I am sure these considerations have not been brought to your attention. Please think about the safety of the homeowners in the adjacent area. If more or bigger planes are added to the current number at a later date, the risk factor increases.

Sincerely,

Marilyn J. Goodsell