

**From:****Submitted:** 5/20/2014 1:18 PM EDT**Email:****Phone:****Address:****Message:** Dear President Obama,

I live on the Northwest side of Chicago in Park Ridge. I am a full time stay at home mother of two sons, ages 3 and 10 months. I also work full-time as a trade journalist from home.

Our quality of life here is diminishing. The noise from O'Hare airport is unevenly distributed. The City of Chicago and the FAA are ignoring people living here.

Last night I was up, along with my sons and husband, until after 2AM as planes barreled overhead—every 90 seconds another approached and passed over our home.

I grew up around here and am used to some air traffic. But decisions made by government officials in Chicago and the FAA have no regard to how it might negatively impact those of us living here. It is unacceptable.

I have yet to hear back from Senator Kotowski and am waiting for a call back from Congresswoman Jan Schakowsky to hear more about how they plan to fight for us. FAiR Chicago is doing what it can as a coalition but I wanted to try and contact the White House and Department of Transportation directly—if that happens. This might get lost in a sea of concerns but I'm hoping someone considers my pleas for attention to a very important matter to my family. I want to raise my boys here and use the yard that was the selling point to this house when we purchased it back in August 2012. We can't open windows or go outside when the planes are so bad and so frequent.

Please consider families in Park Ridge as well as the Chicago area in general who are in the pathway of an ill-planned strategy. We deserve a fair distribution of air traffic. The FAA needs to use all the runways available at O'Hare, and they are many, put caps on the number of flights per runway each day, and also redirect traffic when the hours are early morning or in the evening when we are trying to sleep.

Thank you for your time and consideration,