

**Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-0922**

February 3, 2026

The Honorable Bryan Bedford
Administrator
Federal Aviation Administration
Washington, D.C.

Dear Administrator Bedford,

I write to follow up on my request that you and your team meet with officials from Palm Beach International Airport (PBI) to identify solutions to mitigate the significant impacts of the Temporary Flight Restrictions (TFRs) surrounding Mar-a-Lago on the surrounding Palm Beach County community. Recent adjustments have failed to provide meaningful relief for thousands of residents, underscoring the need for immediate engagement by your agency.

As you know, new flight restrictions over Mar-a-Lago went into effect on October 20, 2025. Previously, these restrictions were implemented only when the President was at his Palm Beach residence, consistent with safety and security needs. Under the new, 24/7 restrictions, aircraft departing from and arriving at Palm Beach International Airport are required to fly over neighborhoods northeast of the airport, rather than using the more direct flight paths established following an extensive environmental review.

Those earlier flight paths affected approximately 2,200 homes and 5,000 residents. The new routing impacts more than 11,000 homes and 21,000 residents, at least five schools, and numerous businesses. These communities are now experiencing significantly increased aircraft noise, greater exposure to air pollution, and declining property values.

Last month, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) implemented updated procedures for flights to comply with the new restrictions. While these changes have provided limited relief for some residents, thousands of people continue to experience aircraft overflights as frequently as every 90 seconds, beginning early in the morning and continuing late into the evening. This level of disruption is unacceptable and has severely degraded quality of life.

PBI officials are receiving hundreds of complaints, and it is untenable that the FAA has not formally met with local airport leadership to discuss the restrictions. PBI officials have made clear to me that they stand ready to collaborate with your agency to identify a more balanced and workable solution.

I therefore reiterate my request that you meet immediately with PBI officials and participate in a community meeting with affected residents and local businesses. Meaningful engagement is essential to restoring trust and identifying solutions that address both security needs and the well-being of our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lois Frankel". The signature is fluid and cursive, with "Lois" on the first line and "Frankel" on the second line.

Lois Frankel
Member of Congress