



**O'HARE NOISE
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Arlington Heights Mayor Re-elected Chair of O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission

Sound Insulation Abates Aircraft Noise

Des Plaines, Ill., May 6, 2011—Representatives from 45 communities and school districts in Chicago and northwest suburbs unanimously re-elected Arlington Heights Mayor Arlene J. Mulder as chairperson of the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission, an intergovernmental agency devoted to reduction of aircraft noise in areas surrounding O'Hare International Airport.

Mulder, an internationally recognized leader on issues of aircraft noise mitigation, has served as chairperson since the formation of ONCC in 1997.

Dr. Raymond J. Kuper, former superintendent of Harwood Heights School District 86, will continue as ONCC vice chair and chairman of the school sound insulation committee that oversees the O'Hare School Sound Insulation Program, considered the world's largest. Norridge School District 234 Superintendent Dr. Robert Lupo will serve as vice chair for the school program.

Frank Damato, former Cook County commissioner, will continue as chairman of the ONCC Residential Sound Insulation Program committee that oversees sound insulation construction in eligible single homes and multi-unit dwellings near O'Hare. Since 2006, more than 7,000 residences have been sound insulated in the RSIP program—one of the nation's largest.

Judith Dunne Bernardi, Norridge village clerk, will begin her third year as ONCC treasurer and continue as vice chairperson of the residential sound committee.

Rita Mullins, former mayor for the village of Palatine, will serve as chairperson of the ONCC technical committee with Joseph Annunzio, attorney for the village of Niles, as vice chair.

ONCC, composed of representatives from 28 Cook and DuPage communities, Cook County, and 16 school districts, strives to reduce the impact of aircraft noise on surrounding neighborhoods of O'Hare Airport through home and school insulation, and to reduce, wherever possible, aircraft noise at its source. For more information, contact Brendan McLaughlin, 773- 686-3198, or visit www.oharenoise.org.

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ONCC member communities: Arlington Heights, Bartlett, Bellwood, Bensenville, Chicago, Des Plaines, Elmwood Park, Franklin Park, Harwood Heights, Hoffman Estates, Itasca, Maywood, Melrose Park, Mount Prospect, Niles, Norridge, Northlake, Oak Park, Palatine, Park Ridge, River Forest, River Grove, Rolling Meadows, Rosemont, Schaumburg, Schiller Park, Stone Park, Wood Dale and Cook County. ONCC member school districts: 59; 63; 64; 80; 81; 84; 84.5; 85.5; 86; 87; 88; 89; 214; 234; 299; and 401.

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