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STATEMENT FROM GLOBAL GATEWAY ALLIANCE ON PROPOSED LEGISLATION TO REQUIRE AIRLINES TO STOCK THEIR FLEETS WITH NEWER, QUIETER AIRCRAFTS

The following is a statement from Joseph Sitt, Chairman of Global Gateway Alliance, and Steve Sigmund, Executive Director of Global Gateway Alliance:

"Quieter planes are vital to expanding the capacity we need at New York / New Jersey airports - and creating the good-paying jobs and economic development our families deserve," the Global Gateway Alliance said today. "We applaud Congressman Crowley for his work and for bringing key stakeholders together to try to make this a reality. Increasing the number of quiet planes - along with implementing NextGen technology - is exactly the kind of forward thinking we need to do."

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ABOUT GGA

Global Gateway Alliance (GGA), was established to address the major challenges facing the metropolitan region's airports and related infrastructure that, if left unaddressed, will serve as a major impediment to the long-term growth of New York City and surrounding areas. By harnessing the expertise of leaders in business, government, academia, labor and other sectors, we seek to tackle these challenges head-on and serve as the leading advocate in an effort to improve our airports and facilitate the continued growth of the region. For more information regarding the Global Gateway Alliance, please visit www.globalgatewayalliance.org, or email info@globalgatewayalliance.org. Follow GGA on Twitter @GGA_NYNJ and 'Like' the organization on Facebook at <http://on.fb.me/UsqxGw>.

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