



March 2, 2023

**Official Statement - Mayor Joseph A. Carfora**  
**Re: FAA Release of the draft Environmental Assessment**

East Haven, CT -The Town has received the draft environmental assessment. We encourage all interested parties to read the draft environmental assessment (EA) and its appendices, and to attend the scheduled public meeting to be held on Saturday April 1 at East Haven High School.

While we are disappointed that the FAA did not immediately order the preparation of an environmental impact statement (EIS) for this major airport project, as we and many other parties requested, the FAA is required to consider public comments on this draft EA, and ultimately decide whether an EIS is required. Our mission of course is to protect the citizens of East Haven, and ensure that all aspects of this massive proposed expansion and relocation of the airport into East Haven are fully and fairly considered. Therefore, I have directed my team -- including the experts we have hired -- to undertake a thorough and comprehensive review of the draft EA and appendices. We will prepare and submit detailed, substantive comments that address the Town's concerns and expect that the FAA will recognize the apparent material impacts on the community and, as required by Federal Law, undertake the full-scale EIS that is mandated for this significant project.

Joseph A. Carfora  
Mayor