

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2697

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF PERRIS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE
OF CALIFORNIA, CALLING FOR A REGIONAL
AIRPORT PLAN FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, the March Joint powers Authority (JPA) created the “March Inland Port” as a joint use commercial airport in cooperation with the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, the development of commercial cargo operations at the March Inland Port is a key strategy in the pursuit of economic development and the creation of new jobs the March JPA; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Department of Airports has initiated a revision of the Master Plan for Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) which anticipates expanding its passenger activity from a current 60 million passengers per year to an expected 98 million passengers per year and its cargo activity from its current 1.7 million tons per year to an expected 4.2 million tons per year; and

WHEREAS, expanding its passenger and cargo activity as proposal will greatly increase the number of flights and nearly double ground traffic going to and from LAX; and

WHEREAS, communities in the vicinity of LAX which already experience enormous adverse environmental impacts from operations of the airport can expect greatly increased noise and air pollution from overhead aircraft, greatly increased congestion and air pollution from ground traffic, especially from dramatic increases in the activity of diesel trucks around the airport; and

WHEREAS, airport officials estimate LAX improvement will cost as much as \$12 billion dollars, not including the costs of transportation improvements required to facilitate access to LAX which will be paid for by regional tax payers; and

WHEREAS, there are many other commercial airports in Southern California; some with significant histories as commercial airports, some recently converted to commercial or joint military and commercial airports; and

WHEREAS, several of these airports are located in areas of Southern California expected to experience the greatest growth in population and employment over the next twenty years, while LAX is near the communities expected to experience the least growth in the same period; and

WHEREAS, developing airport capacity near high growth communities rather than concentrating airport development at LAX may be an environmental superior, lower-cost and more equitable strategy for serving future growth in air commerce in southern California; and

WHEREAS, the development of these regional airport resources will help spread jobs and economic development opportunities more equitable throughout the region, and reduce the public health and environmental burdens on communities near LAX.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Perris as follows:

SECTION 1. The communities of Southern California, including the City of Los Angeles; the counties of Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside, and Ventura; the State of California; and our congressional representatives to join together in developing the Regional Airport Plan for Southern California that constrains LAX to operate within the capacity of its existing facilities and develops the capacity of the many other commercial airports in Southern California to serve the expanding air commerce marketplace.

ADOPTED, SIGNED and APPROVED this 9th day of February, 1999.

MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PERRIS

Attest:

City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE) ss
CITY OF PERRIS)

I, Margaret Rey, duly elected City Clerk of the City of Perris, California, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution Number 2697 was duly and regularly adopted by the City Council of the City of Perris at a regular meeting held the 9th day of February, 1999, by the following called vote:

Ayes: Larios, Yarbrough, Larragoitiy, Torres and Landers
Noes:
Absent:

CITY CLERK

