

# CITY OF SUNNYVALE

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The Honorable Charlie Bolden, Administrator  
National Aeronautics and Space Administration  
300 E. Street S. W.  
Washington, D.C. 20546

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**RE: HANGAR ONE – MOFFETT FEDERAL AIRFIELD**

Dear Administrator Bolden:

The City of Sunnyvale has been a strong and long-standing advocate of the restoration of Hangar One, including clean-up and full re-skinning. We also advocate that this effort be undertaken as expeditiously as possible to protect the structure against further erosion and other damage that could occur if the Hangar is left exposed as a skeleton structure.

The Sunnyvale community regards Hangar One as a significant historical and architectural landmark, as well as a defining symbol of the important role aviation and space advancement has played in our history. I understand that you have received a letter signed by more than 20 members of Congress supporting a proposed private/public partnership to further the effort to re-skin and restore Hangar One, and that this approach would complete the needed work while saving significant taxpayer dollars. I am writing to underscore our community's support for a cost-effective approach that would preserve the Hangar while allowing both public and private use.

We have appreciated the continuing work that has been done to rehabilitate and preserve Hangar One. We urge you to consider and take immediate action in evaluating options to efficiently and effectively preserve the Hangar. Our community would be most appreciative of your leadership in moving forward to preserve Hangar One, which in turn will support the preservation of our community's heritage and contribute to its future.

Sincerely,



Melinda Hamilton  
Mayor

cc: The Honorable Anna Eshoo, Congresswoman, 14<sup>th</sup> Congressional District  
The Honorable Jac Siegel, Mayor, City of Mountain View  
Mr. Dan Rich, City Manager, City of Mountain View  
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