1 THE HONORABLE THOMAS S. ZILLY 2 3 4 5 6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 8 AT SEATTLE 9 CITIZENS OF EBEY'S RESERVE FOR A HEALTHY, SAFE & PEACEFUL 10 ENVIRONMENT, NO. 2:13-cv-01232-TSZ 11 Plaintiffs, 12 DECLARATION OF JANIS I. v. 13 SCHURR U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY; 14 ADMIRAL BILL GORTNEY, in his official 15 capacity as the Commander, Fleet Forces Command; and COMMANDER MIKE 16 NORTIER, in his official capacity as Commander Naval Air Station Whidbey 17 Island, 18 Federal Defendants. 19 20 I, Janis I. Schurr, declare as follows: 21 1. I am over the age of 18 and competent to testify in this matter. The 22 information in this declaration is based on my personal belief. 23 2. I am 63 years old. I am married and live in Admirals Cove, one quarter of a 24 25 mile from OLF Coupeville, at 1137 Dewey Drive, Coupeville, WA. I have lived in this 26 house since 1992. 27 28 **GENDLER & MANN, LLP** 615 2nd Ave. Suite 560 DECLARATION OF JANIS I SCHURR Seattle, WA 98104

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- 3. I was a Registered Nurse for 30 years in the Medical Surgical Unit at Whidbey General Hospital. I retired 6 years ago. I volunteered at WAIF for many years, and led support groups at the hospital. I've been involved in my community, one that I used to love.
- 4. The Growlers fly and turn right over my house, it seems like a couple hundred feet over because I can see the pilots faces.
- 5. My health has steadily gone down hill in the last 3 years. I have Tinnitus, Type II Diabetes, Immune Disease, Anxiety, Depression, gastrointestinal problems, Barretts Esophagus, loss of sleep and lots of anger at what's happening in my life. If I could just get a good nights sleep, but I can't when they are flying, and I worry about my husband who is also not sleeping, but has to get up at 4:00 a.m. to go to work, and I worry about him driving and getting into an accident. I am just so angry all the time.
- 6. I have suffered from depression for some years, but didn't have any of these other health issues before the Growlers arrived. I now see my regular family medicine Doctor, and now also a Psychiatrist for anti anxiety medication. The depression and high anxiety have gotten so much worse since the arrival of the Growlers. I have no control over this situation, which is hard, but that it seems there is nothing I can do about this harm makes me feel crazy.
- 7. When the jets are flying I can't go outside, I'm forced to stay inside when it's summer and beautiful out. I can barely stay inside, but where am I supposed to go? I'm not overweight, but my Cortisol levels are high, and 3 years ago I developed Diabetes, which is now Type II.

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8. The noise is unbearable. I was having a pretty good life and then the Growlers came. The Growlers are so much louder than the Prowlers, I used to be able to talk on the phone when they were flying, but not anymore. I can't even talk to my husband in the same room. The Growlers have a pitched squeal when they turn. The frequency is not compatible with life, human and otherwise.

9. I get so angry that this is happening to me. My health is going. I am desperate when the jets fly. I can't take it anymore. I'm at the breaking point.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated this **2.** d day of **March**, 2015, in Coupeville, Washington.

By: Jan's I. Schurr