

**RESOLUTION NUMBER FY09-\_\_\_\_\_**

**[Resolution Supporting the Alabama Airport Airspace Safety Act]**

WHEREAS, airports are essential to economic development in Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Alabama has a tremendous investment in existing airports in this state; and

WHEREAS, protecting the state's investment in these airports is critical; and

WHEREAS, hazards around airports impair the utility of airports by reducing the area available for maneuvering aircraft, compromising the safety of the flying public and endangering persons and property on the ground; and

WHEREAS, safety can be promoted and the public's investment can be protected by regulating structures around airports which constitute hazards; and

WHEREAS, many cities in Alabama already have zoning ordinances which protect the airspace around airports in their jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Aviation Administration has established safety standards for structures in the vicinity of airports; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Alabama Airport Safety Act provides a mechanism to regulate the construction of structures around airports which would constitute airport hazards by applying FAA Part 77 standards to proposed structures in the vicinity of airports; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Alabama Airport Safety Act has the support of the Aviation Council of Alabama.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the board of directors of the \_\_\_\_\_ (your airport) \_\_\_\_\_ that regulating hazards in the vicinity of airports is essential to protect the safety of the flying public and to preserve the investment which the State of Alabama has in existing airports, and would benefit aviation throughout the state.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alabama Airport Safety Act is appropriate legislation to protect airports in our state which are not otherwise protected by adequate zoning.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the board supports the Alabama Airport Safety Act and encourages passage of the legislation by the State of Alabama.

ADOPTED on this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of December, 2008.