

## Rothman Applauds School Soundproofing Efforts

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### Rothman Applauds School Soundproofing Efforts Eight Bergen and Hudson County Schools Will be Helped by Federal Program

Washington, DC -- Congressman Steve Rothman (D-NJ9) applauded a proposal to soundproof eight schools throughout Bergen and Hudson Counties. The schools will be improved with soundproofing funds under the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) Airport Improvement Program which Rothman worked to secure.

I am glad to be able to get the funding to help soundproof our local schools," Rothman said. "Learning is hard enough without the roar of jet engines overhead."

In all, \$30 million is being spent locally to soundproof 33 schools in New Jersey and New York affected by aircraft noise, the largest number of schools to be soundproofed in a single year. The soundproofing program is a joint effort by the Port Authority and the FAA, with approximately 80 percent coming from the federal Airport Improvement Program.

"We have been fighting the battle to improve the quality of life for Bergen and Hudson County residents who suffer from the endless drone of aircraft noise for several years," Rothman said.

Here are the local schools helped by the soundproofing program:

#### Bergen County

\* Bergen County Vocational High School, Teterboro, N.J., \$500,000 \* Jackson Avenue School, Hackensack, N.J. \$500,000 \* Memorial School, South Hackensack, N.J., \$300,000 \* St. Francis School, Hackensack, N.J., \$500,000.

#### Hudson County

\* Kearny High School, Kearny, N.J., \$700,000 \* Lincoln Elementary School, Kearny, N.J., \$600,000 \* Sacred Heart School, Kearny, N.J., \$600,000 \* St. Stephen School, Kearny, N.J., \$300,000.

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