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**HARFORD COUNTY GOVERNMENT**

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July 5, 2005

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Commissioners  
2005 Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission  
2521 S. Clark Street, Suite 600  
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Commissioners:

The Harford County Council and County Executive passed the attached resolution in support of the BRAC recommendations to Aberdeen Proving Ground.

We look forward to discussing these matters with you at the regional hearing on July 8, 2005.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Sadowski", written over a large, stylized flourish.

J. Thomas Sadowski  
Executive Director  
Office of Economic Development

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COUNTY COUNCIL

OF

HARFORD COUNTY, MARYLAND

Resolution No. 10-05

Legislative Session Day 05-19

Introduced by Council President Wagner at  
the request of the County Executive,  
Council President Wagner, Council Members Guthrie,  
Chenowith, Cassilly, Miller, Slutzky and Stepp

A RESOLUTION endorsing the Department of Defense Base Realignment and Closure  
recommendations.

**RESOLUTION NO. 10-05**

1           WHEREAS, Harford County is proud to be the home of the Aberdeen Proving Ground, the  
2 County's largest employer and one of the nation's premier technology and defense assets; and

3           WHEREAS, The partnership that the installation has enjoyed with Harford County has  
4 continued to grow and produce mutual benefits including the development of a Math & Science  
5 Academy in the new Aberdeen High School where APG personnel now provide instruction; and

6           WHEREAS, The Department of Defense has made recommendations through the Base  
7 Closure and Realignment Commission that have an overall positive effect on the activities and the  
8 mission of the installation; and

9           WHEREAS, The relocation of operations to APG will bring enhanced employment  
10 opportunities to our county; and

11           WHEREAS, Harford County is confident in our ability to draw from our existing workforce  
12 in order to support the increased missions on post; and

13           WHEREAS, We have taken steps to increase the capacity of our school system by forward  
14 funding a new middle and high school complex as well as establishing a dedicated revenue source  
15 for continued school construction and capacity projects; and

16           WHEREAS, We are working with our State partners to fund the components of our  
17 transportation system that support the post including road improvements and planning, design and  
18 construction of new train stations near the Aberdeen and Edgewood gates; and

19           WHEREAS, We have provided the opportunity for the collaboration amongst APG, Industry  
20 and higher education to generate business incubation, technology development and transfer  
21 opportunities by providing in the Master Land Use Plan for the expansion of the Higher Education  
22 and Technology Center in Aberdeen; and

23           WHEREAS, We have been able to increase our operational funding for salaries for teachers

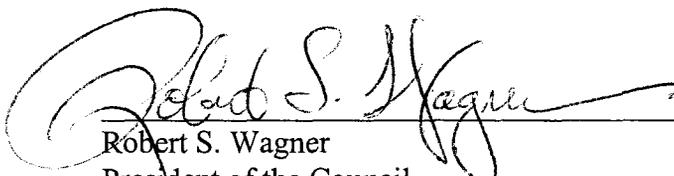
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1 and increased funding for public safety personnel, built state of the art public library facilities and  
2 preserved thousands of acres of open space, in order to invest in our quality of life and sustain and  
3 enhance our high standard of living; and

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Harford County,  
5 Maryland, that the Council hereby endorses the Department of Defense Base Realignment and  
6 Closure recommendations and stands ready to receive and accommodate the operations slated for  
7 relocation to the Aberdeen Proving Ground.

ATTEST:

  
Barbara J. Ruth  
Council Administrator

  
Robert S. Wagner  
President of the Council

ADOPTED: June 21, 2005