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Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
2521 South Clark Street  
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Arlington, VA 22202

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Sincerely,

  
(A concerned Citizen)

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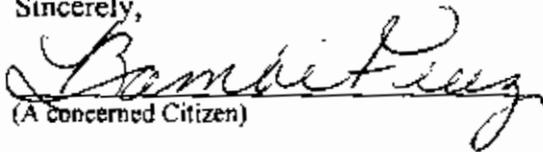
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Tamara Means  
(A concerned Citizen)

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*Stephanie Morillo*  
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A Concerned Citizen

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6/24/2006

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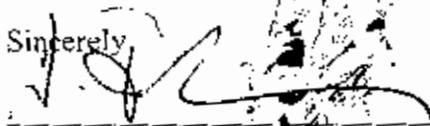
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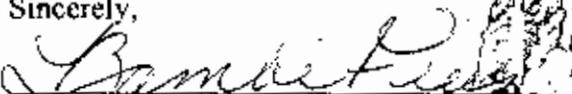
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*3733 E. Hill Rd  
Friendship, NY 14739*

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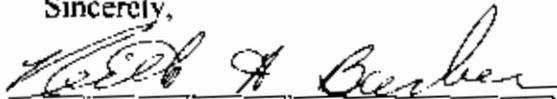
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June, 2005

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Sincerely,

*Candice A. Bailey*

(A concerned Citizen)

*15 Pebble Creek Drive*

(Address)

*Cheektowaga, NY 14227*

(City, State, Zip)

**From:** (Michael Libassi)  
**Date:** 06/06/05 09:05:22  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Michael Libassi () on Monday, June 6, 2005 at 09:05:21

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address1: 3133 Dell Drive

city: Niagara Falls

state: New York

zip: 14304

comments:

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Sincerely,

<<Michael Libassi >>

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May 26, 2005

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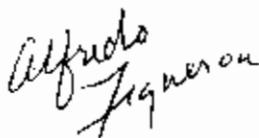
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Sincerely,



Alfredo Figueroa  
1269 Norwood Dr.  
Lockport, NY 14094

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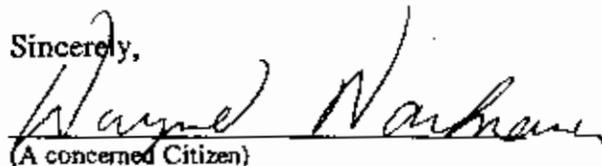
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(A concerned Citizen)

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TONA, N.Y. 14223

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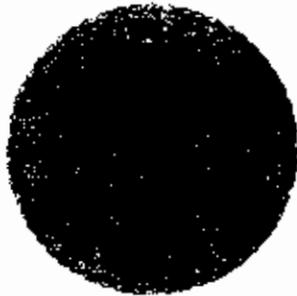
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(A concerned Citizen)

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9650 Conroy St

Avgo LA Ny 14006



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CAROL A. MEISSNER, TOWN CLERK  
Telephone (716) 549-8787

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8787 Erie Road • Angola, NY 14006 9600

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COUNCILMEN

**ROBERT R. CATALINO II, SUPERVISOR**  
Telephone (716) 549 5287

THOMAS A. CSATI..... ANGOLA, NY  
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JOSEPH E. GOVENFITTO..... DERBY, NY  
KATHLEEN A. BARTUS..... ANGOLA, NY

July 12, 2005

Chairman Anthony J. Principi  
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Dear Chairman Principi:

Enclosed please find twenty-three (23) signed letters, collected in the last two weeks at the Evans Town Hall, requesting that the Niagara Falls/Western New York Air Force Reserve and Guard Base remain open. Please forward these requests to the appropriate personnel for their consideration.

Sincerely,

Carol A. Meissner  
Town Clerk

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(A concerned Citizen)

1039 OLD EDEN EVANS CHURCH

Angola, NY 14006

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*Jeri Trombley*

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*2179 Derby Rd  
Eden NY 14057*

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Rosemarie B. Meice  
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HAMBURG, NY

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Matthew A. Sawicki  
(A Concerned Citizen)

223 S. Main St  
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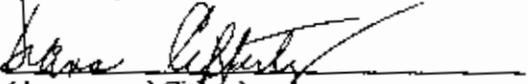
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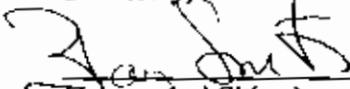
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603 Sunny Ave.  
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Angela Ng 1407

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Mary K. Roberts  
P.O. Box 189  
Wilson, N.Y.  
14172

**From:** (Christina Gaertner)  
**Date:** 05/31/05 14:10:34  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

05/31/2005

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Christina Gaertner () on Tuesday, May 31, 2005 at 14:10:33

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address1: 1576 Love Rd.

city: Grand Island

state: NY

zip: 14072

comments:

Chairman Anthony J. Principi  
Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
2521 South Clark Street  
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Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commissioners:

I am a stay-at-home mom with no relatives in the military. However, I do have neighbors and fellow church members who are in the Air Force Reserve. I find it very unlikely that these people will reenlist if the BRAC Commission follows the recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Force Reserve base. Most of the reason my friends joined is so that they can serve their country locally while continuing normal life.

It seems silly to close this base because they have already reduced their Base Operations Support costs to make the base one of the most cost-efficient facilities in the Air Force Reserve Command.

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Sincerely,

Christina Gaertner

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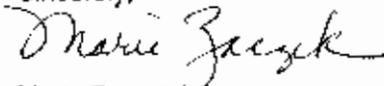
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Closing the Niagara Falls AFB would be devastating to the New York Air National Guard and to our nation's efforts to recruit and retain military personnel.

I urge you to remove Niagara Falls AFB from the Pentagon's recommended list of base closures.

Sincerely,



Marie Zaczek  
1 Tralee Terrace  
E. Amherst, NY 14051

May 17, 2005

6:12/2005

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Sincerely,

Ralph & Barbara Higgins  
3836 Bronx Rd  
Lanzett, N.Y. 14667

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May 25, 2005

Niagara Falls Military Affairs Council

P.O. Box 231

Niagara Falls, NY 14304

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The men and women of this air base have gone above and beyond the call of duty for this nation. They have one of the best safety records in desert shield/desert storm. They have had countless humanitarian missions. They have numerous military and civilian awards and recommendations for services for the base and our country. The base has just received an outstanding unit award.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this very important matter.

Sincerely,

Madelyn Grobelny

Date: 6/6/15



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Additional Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Sincerely, *Mark Pidl*

Name: *MARK PIDL*  
Address: *8615 PERSHING AVE NIAGARA FALLS NY 14304*  
Phone #: *(716) 283-5580*

Date: 6/7/05



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Sincerely, Mary B. Pioli

Name: Mary B. Pioli  
Address: 8615 Pershing Ave Niagara Falls, NY 14304  
Phone #: (716) 283-5550

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Sincerely,

(A Concerned Citizen)

G. Rita Brown

680 Crescent Ave.

1700 17th St

Green Hill, VA 22060

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Lorraine H. Sullivan

(A Concerned Citizen)

LORRAINE H. SULLIVAN  
74 NORTH ELLWOOD AVE  
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Marie Matz

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53 Hidden Ridge

Williamsville, N.Y. 14221

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*James R. Stealey*  
(An Concerned Citizen)

2250 N. Friends

Westville N.Y. 14068  
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Doris G. Hurley  
(A Concerned Citizen)  
65A Oakbrook Dr.  
Williamsville, N.Y.  
14226

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Marion M. O'Donnell

(A Concerned Citizen)

41 Monte Vista Ct.

E. Amherst, NY

14051

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Williamsville NY 14221

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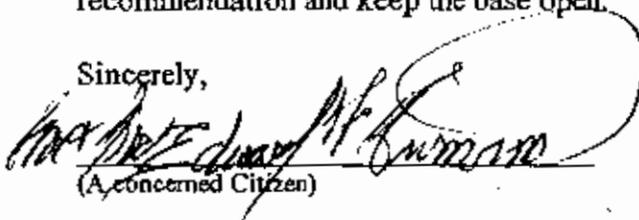
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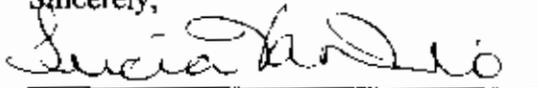
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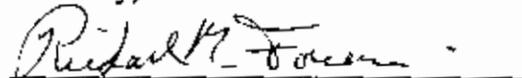
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**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition

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 Audrey Margaret O'Connor () on Wednesday, May 25, 2005 at 07:52:48  
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**From:**

**To:** info@nimac.org

**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition

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Heather M. Samsdel' ( ) on Wednesday, May 25, 2005 at 09:31:52

Platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the  
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address: 109 Dempster St.

city: Buffalo

state: NY

zip: 14206

comments: Enter your own comments here.

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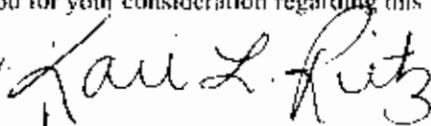
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platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address: 28 Chestnut Hill Lane South

city: Williamsville

state: NY

zip: 14221

comment: I feel that the presence of the Niagara Falls base is needed as a deterrent to attacks of the Niagara Power Plant. It is also a major employer in the Niagara area and it's closing would surely cause more economic hardship to an area already challenged.

Action: Submit petition

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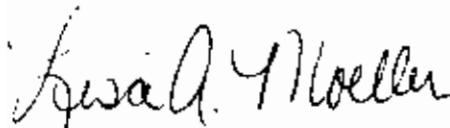
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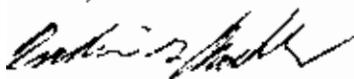
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 Ronald A. Grasse 1) on Wednesday, May 25, 2005 at 06:20:27

platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the  
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address: 1169 Church Rd.

city: Angola

state: NY

zip: 14006

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submit: Submit Petition

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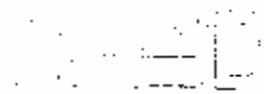


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**From:**

**To:** info@nlmac.org

**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition



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Scott Dirmeyer () on Wednesday, May 25, 2005 at 06:06:27

platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the  
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address1: 585 Chestnut Street

city: North Tonawanda

state: NY

zip: 14120

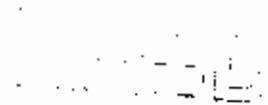
comments: Niagara has been so instrumental during these times of war. This base  
needs to be here not just for us but for the safety and security of our children

submit: Submit Petition

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 Marilyn Delahoy () on Wednesday, May 25, 2005 at 06:40:23

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platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the  
 Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 5892 Kline Road

city: Niagara Falls

state: NY

zip: 14304

comments: With 4 International bridges, a major Power Project and Reservoir,  
 what are the people in Washington thinking? We NEED this base not only for  
 economic reasons but for the SAFETY of the entire area! Keep this base OPEN!

submit: Submit Petition

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**From:** (Tammy Ann Cheney)  
**Date:** 05/24/05 16:48:59  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Tammy Ann Cheney () on Tuesday, May 24, 2005 at 16:48:57

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platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 47 Downing Street

city: Buffalo

state: NY

zip: 14220

comments: Enter your own comments here.

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platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 11 Avion Way

city: Lancaster

state: NY

zip: 14304

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platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address: 1362 Caravelle Drive

city: Niagara Falls

state: NY

zip: 14304

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platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address: 2225 Hwy 213 South

city: Jeffersonville

state: Ky

zip: 40354

comments: Please don't close any of the bases. There's so many people that will be affected.

submit: Submit Petition

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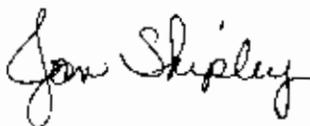
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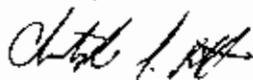
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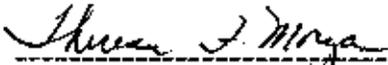
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comments:

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Also, how will the Department defend the region, or will the Guard respond to man-made or natural disasters, when they occur after these massive cuts?

I urge the Commission in the strongest possible terms to remove Niagara Falls AFB from the Pentagon's recommended list of base closures and to stop the continuing retreat of the military from our region of the country.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Dale A. Varney  
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BRAC Commission  
Washington DC.  
c/o NIMAC  
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Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commissioners:

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- The federal government has invested more than \$35 million in Niagara Falls since 1995 in new facilities.
- Base Operations Support costs have been reduced more than 33% (to include a 25% reduction in utilities) to make the base one of the most cost-efficient facilities in the Air Force Reserve Command.
- Closure of the base eliminates the ability to recruit and retain New Yorkers in a region in which the units have both maintained in excess of 100% manning rates.
- Niagara Falls existing infrastructure can accommodate eight (8) additional C-130H model aircraft without any military construction.
- Niagara Falls faces no physical encroachment nor air traffic control constraints and has acreage on the base and adjacent to the installation for expansion.

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Sincerely,

Dale A. Varney

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**From:** (Michael J. Wollaber)  
**Date:** 06/13/05 12:23:30  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Michael J. Wollaber () on Monday, June 13, 2005 at 12:23:27

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**Date:** 06/13/05 12:22:36  
**To:** info@nimuc.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

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May 26, 2005

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Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commissioners:

I am concerned by the Defense Department's recommendation to close the Niagara Falls, New York, Air Force Reserve and Guard base. I do not believe this recommendation is in the nation's best interest and the BRAC Commission should reverse this decision and remove them from the closure list. The Niagara Falls-Lewiston area is on the list of potential sites for terrorists because the area is host to the huge Niagara Power Project as well as the international Lewiston-Queenston bridge. The base would be an ideal staging area for guard operations should any sort of disaster occur.

It is hard to understand why the Air Force has decided to take planes, missions and jobs away from so many Air Guard and Air Reserve bases and put them on the more costly Active Duty bases. Also, many newspaper articles have indicated that we are facing significant challenges in recruiting during war time. As the only remaining major military installation in Western New York, Niagara Falls has been key to military recruitment.

The impact of this decision will be devastating to the New York Air National Guard and will make the Pentagon's efforts to recruit and retain military personnel even more difficult than it is now.

All New Yorkers stand with the Niagara Falls/Western New York community and are united in its support for this base, and its retention. Overturn the Pentagon's recommendation and keep the base open.

Very truly yours,

Karen A. Hamann  
Lewiston, NY 14092

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July 10, 2005

Chairman Anthony J. Principi  
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Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commissioners:

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Sincerely,

*Mrs. & Mrs. Ronald D. Lock*

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Sincerely,

*Denise Marshall*

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Sincerely,

*Dawn M. Jones*

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Sincerely,

*Gail M. Jones*

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Sincerely,

*Malissa M. Jones*



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Sincerely,

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President

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Sincerely,

Ronald P. King  
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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David C. Johnson".

David C. Johnson

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Sincerely,



Diane Thompson  
3350 Baseline Road  
Grand Island, NY 14072



Assistant to the President  
for Planning

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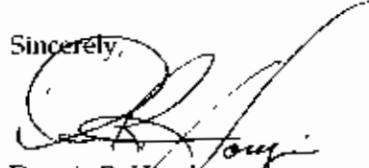
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David P. Hart  
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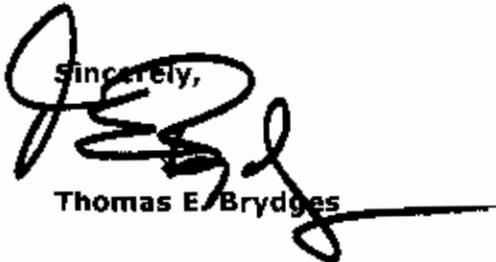
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The Buffalo Niagara business community stands with the Niagara Falls/Western New York community in support of the Niagara Falls Air Force Reserve and Guard Base, and its retention. Overturn the Pentagon's recommendation and keep the base open.

Sincerely,

  
Thomas E. Brydges

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June 6, 2005

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Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
2521 South Clark Street  
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Base Policy and Closure Commission  
2525 S. Lynn Clark Street  
Suite 600  
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Base Realignment and Closure Commissioners:  
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I urge the Commission to the strongest possible terms to reverse

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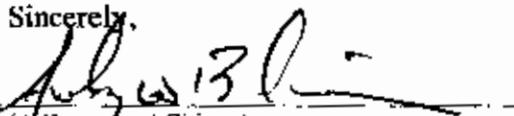
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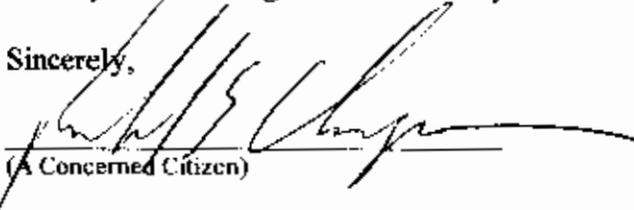
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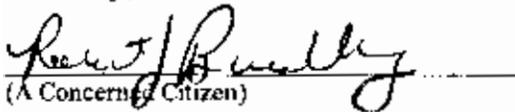
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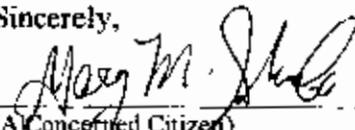
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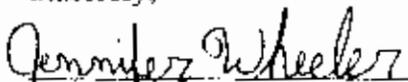
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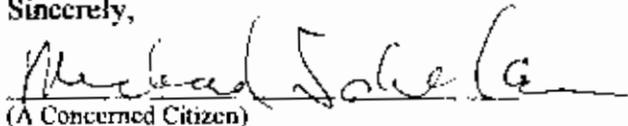
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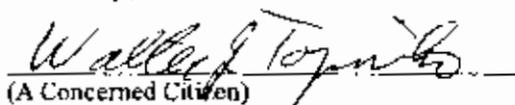
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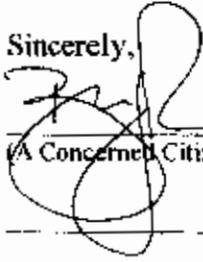
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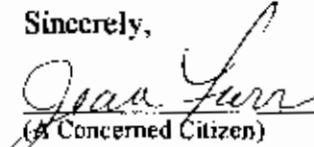
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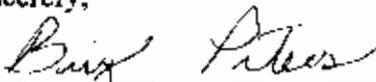
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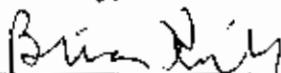
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I urge the Commission in the strongest possible terms to remove Niagara Falls AFB from the Pentagon's recommended list of base closures and to stop the continuing retreat of the military from our region of the country.

Sincerely,

  
(A Concerned Citizen)

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6/18/05

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(A concerned Citizen)

Mark Farina  
5481 Stone Road  
Lockport NY 14094

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*Melissa Chumco*  
(A concerned citizen)  
435 East Avenue  
~~Lockport~~ Lockport  
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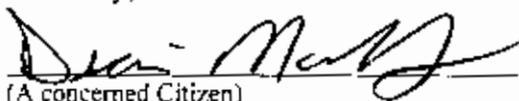
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280 Washington St  
Lockport, NY 14094

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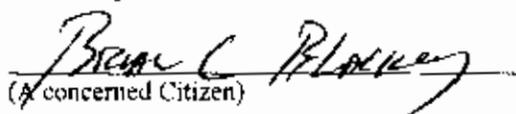
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THOMAS E BARRETT  
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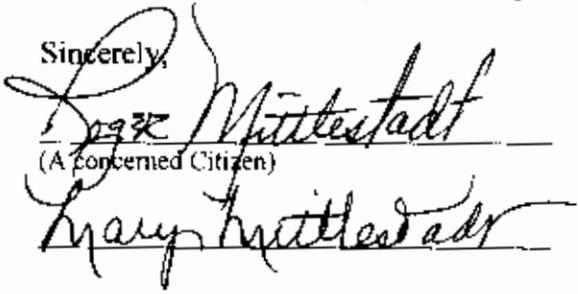
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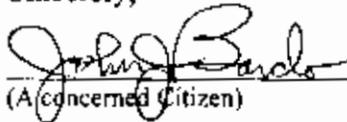
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(A concerned Citizen)

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(A concerned Citizen)

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WILLIAMSVILLE NY 14221

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*Mary A. Scandura*  
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*197 Southwood Dr.*

*Buffalo, N.Y. 14223*

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here!*

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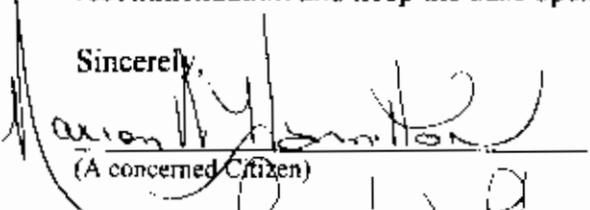
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Allison Hamilton  
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121 Presidio Place

Williamsville, NY

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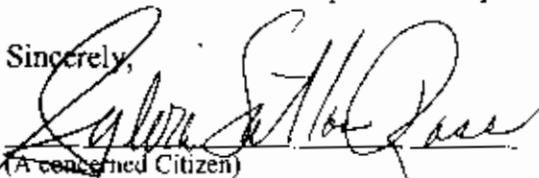
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(A concerned Citizen)

Albany NY 14001  
716-542-9133

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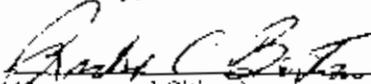
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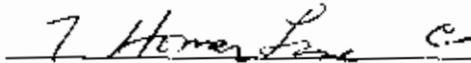
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Medena NY 14023*

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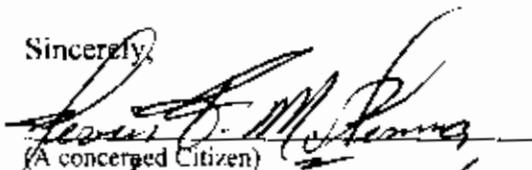
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*515 Locust Street*

*Lockport, N.Y.*

*14094*

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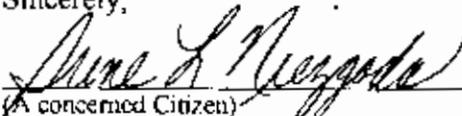
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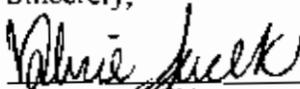
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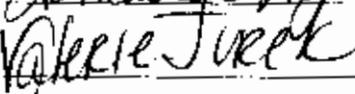
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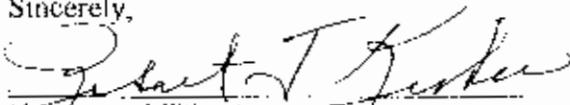
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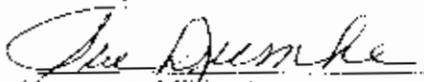
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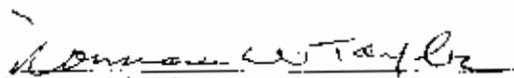
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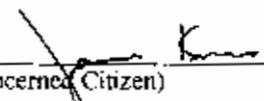
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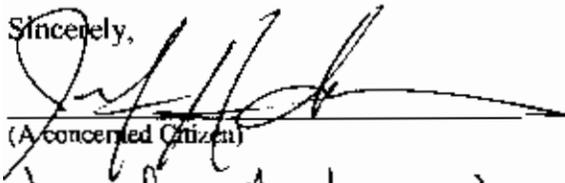
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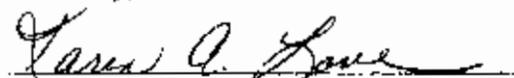
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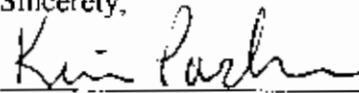
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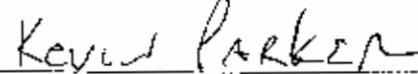
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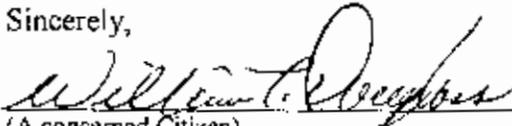
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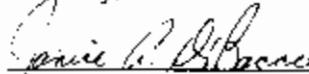
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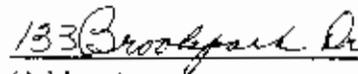
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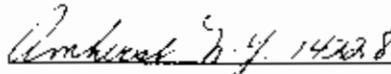
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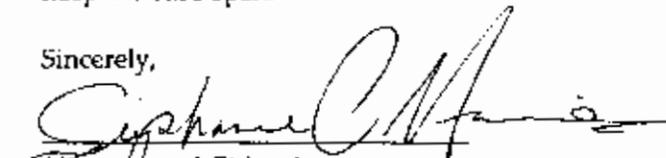
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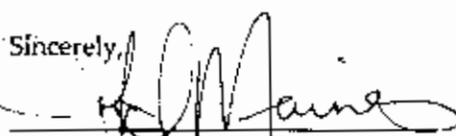
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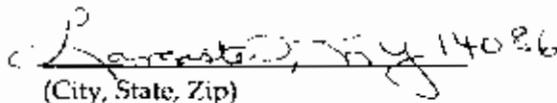
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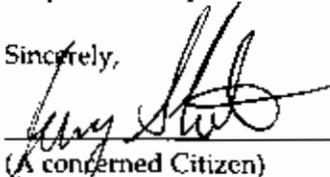
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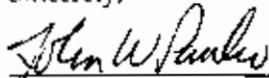
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Sincerely,



(A concerned Citizen)

5145 Fox Truce

(Address)

Williamsville, NY 14228

(City, State, Zip)

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Wincio Wojcikowski  
(A concerned Citizen)

83 PARK EDGE DR.  
(Address)

CHEERTOWN, NY 14225  
(City, State, Zip)

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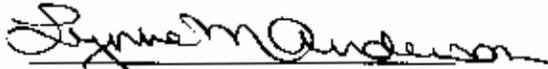
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(A concerned Citizen)

488 Mill St

(Address)

Williamsville NY

(City, State, Zip)

14221

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Sincerely,

Christine E. Camp  
(A concerned Citizen)

3111 Townline Rd  
(Address)

Alden, NY 14004  
(City, State, Zip)

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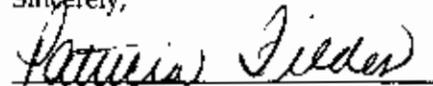
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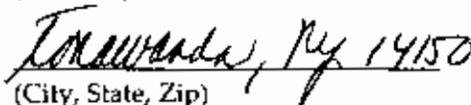
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(A concerned Citizen)



(Address)



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(A concerned Citizen)

115 Hiler Ave  
(Address)

Kenmore NY 14217  
(City, State, Zip)

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Sincerely,

Jocelyn A. Ruback  
(A concerned Citizen)

5401 First St Apt 5  
(Address)

Hamburg NY 14075  
(City, State, Zip)

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Sincerely,

Angelle R. Giguere  
(A concerned Citizen)

7541 Ridge Rd  
(Address)

Oriskany NY 14067  
(City, State, Zip)

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Chairman Anthony J. Principi  
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Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commissioners:

I am deeply troubled by the Defense Department's recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Force Reserve base. This recommendation is a terrible mistake and I urge the BRAC Commission to reverse this decision and remove them from the list.

It is hard to understand why the Air Force has decided to take planes, missions and jobs away from so many Air Guard and Air Reserve bases and put them on the more costly Active Duty bases. Of all the bases to pick to close, how do you close the base whose unit helped rescue Jessica Lynch in Iraq because they are the lead night vision C-130 unit in the reserves?

Also, how will the Department defend the region? Will the Guard respond to man-made or natural disasters when they occur after these massive cuts?

I urge the Commission in the strongest possible terms to remove Niagara Falls AFB from the Pentagon's recommended list of base closures and to stop the continuing retreat of the military from our region of the country.

Sincerely,

(A Concerned Citizen)

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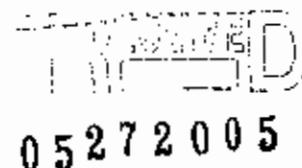
Sincerely,

  
Lynette Kusch

**From:** (Daniel L Eifert)  
**Date:** 05/25/05 11:34:10  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Daniel L Eifert () on Wednesday, May 25, 2005 at 11:34:09

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platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 151 Lock street

city: lockport

state: NY

zip: 14094

comments: According to a news article the Air Force did not follow its own rules on choosing the base

submit: Submit Petition

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**From:** (Jeffrey Hoch)  
**Date:** 05/25/05 15:28:28  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition

05272005

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Jeffrey Hoch () on Wednesday, May 25, 2005 at 15:28:26

05272005

platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 23 Lehigh St.

city: Sloan

state: NY

zip: 14206

comments: Enter your own comments here.

submit: Submit Petition

**From:** (Charles Giarrizzo)  
**Date:** 05/24/05 15:40:54  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition

05272005

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Charles Giarrizzo () on Tuesday, May 24, 2005 at 15:40:52

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platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 2952 Seneca Avenue

city: Niagara Falls

state: NY

zip: 14305

comments: Our region continues to struggle economically. Growth is almost non existent. The area has great difficulty attracting new business and employment opportunites. You have the power to prevent further blood loss.

submit: Submit Petition

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**From:** (Richard L. Parson)  
**Date:** 05/25/05 12:53:11  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Pctition

05272005

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Richard L. Parson () on Wednesday, May 25, 2005 at 12:53:09

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platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address): 4249 Bailey Avenue

city: Amherst

state: New York

zip: 14226

comments: It seems to make no sense to close a base that supports the Air Bridge over the Atlantic but to keep open bases that are in the interior. BY moving planes to the interior, you incur additional costs for fuel, maintenance and wear and tear on the airframes. The air base is a multi-use facility which is cheaper to operate than a stand alone facility. The 107th was one of the first to respond to the Sept. 11th attacks by refueling the fighter planes that were patrolling over NY City and Washington DC. We offer much to the community. Please don't take that away.

submit: [Submit Petition](#)

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**From:** (Sandra Lee A. Digati)  
**Date:** 05/24/05 16:18:00  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition



Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Sandra Lee A. Digati () on Tuesday, May 24, 2005 at 15:01:48

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05272005

platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 60 Periwinkle Court

city: East Amherst

state: NY

zip: 14051

comments: For the Safety, Security and Economy of the Western New York Community and the military personnel, civilian employees and community at large, please do not close the base. It's strategic location in the community is critical.

submit: Submit Petition

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**From:** (Chanthala Vongdara)  
**Date:** 05/25/05 12:24:58  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Chanthala Vongdara () on Wednesday, May 25, 2005 at 12:24:56

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05272005

platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 2481 Sheridan Dr. APT#7

city: Tonawanda

state: NY

zip: 14150

comments: Enter your own comments here.

submit: [Submit Petition](#)

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**From:** (Gloira Jean Swope)  
**Date:** 05/25/05 09:52:48  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Gloira Jean Swope () on Wednesday, May 25, 2005 at 09:52:47

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platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 869 Whitney Avenue

city: Lexington

state: Kentucky

zip: 40508

comments: Decreasing these bases, decreases security for our country. Poor organization, planning, implementaion and interpretation creates misuse of financial funding.

submit: Submit Petition

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**From:** (Polly D'Angelo)  
**Date:** 05/24/05 15:42:07  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition



Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Polly D'Angelo () on Tuesday, May 24, 2005 at 15:42:05

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05272005

platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 5745 Bridgeman Road

city: Sanborn

state: NY

zip: 14132

comments: Enter your own comments here.

submit: [Submit Petition](#)

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**From:** (Christopher G. Bellegia)  
**Date:** 05/24/05 15:47:58  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Pctition



Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Christopher G. Bellegia () on Tuesday, May 24, 2005 at 14:57:57

**05272005**

platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 7403 Frontier Avenue

city: Niagara Falls

state: NY

zip: 14304

comments: The base needs to stay !!!

submit: Submit Petition

**From:** (patricia.j.gallagher)  
**Date:** 05/24/05 15:47:59  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition

05272005

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by patricia.j.gallagher () on Tuesday, May 24, 2005 at 15:10:50

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platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 19 new york street

city: lockport

state: NY

zip: 14094

comments: this base is a necessity both security wise and economically!!!!

submit: Submit Petition

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**From:** (sylvia doxtater)  
**Date:** 05/24/05 16:07:50  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition



Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by sylvia doxtater () on Tuesday, May 24, 2005 at 16:07:48

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05272005

platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 133 e. somerset ave.

city: tonawanda

state: n.y.

zip: 14150

comments: Enter your own comments here.

submit: [Submit Petition](#)

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**From:** (Vicki L. Turner)  
**Date:** 05/24/05 15:41:00  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Vicki L. Turner () on Tuesday, May 24, 2005 at 15:40:58

05272005

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platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 628 Wurlitzer Drive

city: North Tonawanda

state: New York

zip: 14120

comments: Enter your own comments here.

submit: [Submit Petition](#)

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**From:** (Michael John Oliver)  
**Date:** 05/24/05 13:32:04  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Michael John Oliver () on Tuesday, May 24, 2005 at 13:32:02

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05272005

platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 207 Woodberry Rd, NE

city: Leesburg

state: VA

zip: 20176

comments: Two great organizations that are vital to the airlift and air refueling mission of the Air National Guard and US Air Force. Please keep this facility and it's people flying and fighting.

submit: [Submit Petition](#)

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**From:** (John P. Rabcewicz)  
**Date:** 05/24/05 17:15:20  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
John P. Rabcewicz () on Tuesday, May 24, 2005 at 17:15:18

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05272005

platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 386 Westwood Road

city: Lancaster

state: NY

zip: 14086

submit: Submit Petition

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**From:** (Marion Stephen Maczka)  
**Date:** 05/24/05 15:47:59  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Pctition

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Marion Stephen Maczka () on Tuesday, May 24, 2005 at 15:20:25

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platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 68 Lafayette Blvd.

city: Williamsville

state: New York

zip: 14221-6410

comments: I consider this base part of the the requirements for effective border security plus support for numerous world wide armed forces deployment support.

It also provides significant community support plus employment opportunities for firemen and local citizens.

submit: Submit Petition

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**From:** (Frank D. Renzi)  
**Date:** 05/25/05 10:17:26  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition

05272005

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Frank D. Renzi () on Wednesday, May 25, 2005 at 10:17:24

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platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 252 Lister Ave.

city: Falconer

state: New York

zip: 14733

comments: A lot of people have sacrificed thier lives, careers, time, and families to support thier missions. Now is not the time to do this. You should help support them. They are dedicated and loyal.

submit: [Submit Petition](#)

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**From:** (John W. Shepard)  
**Date:** 05/24/05 15:49:20  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition

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John W. Shepard () on Tuesday, May 24, 2005 at 15:49:18

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platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 5502 Forest Hill Rd.

city: Lockport

state: New York

zip: 14094

comments: Enter your own comments here.

submit: Submit Petition

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**Date:** Wednesday, May 25, 2005 8:45 AM

**From:**

**To:** info@nlmac.org

**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Catherine L. Sepulveda () on Wednesday, May 25, 2005 at 08:45:20

platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 230 Fredericka St.

city: North Tonawanda

state: NY

zip: 14120

comments: Enter your own comments here.  
Our local economy is already in jeopardy. Closing the Base will devastate.

submit: Submit Petition

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**From:** (Parker Addison Case)  
**Date:** 05/25/05 12:05:20  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Parker Addison Case () on Wednesday, May 25, 2005 at 12:05:19

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platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 4104 Seneca Parkway

city: Niagara Falls

state: New York

zip: 14304

submit: Submit Petition

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**Date:** Wednesday, May 25, 2005 8:06 AM  
**From:**  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Elizabeth C. Hitt on Wednesday, May 25, 2005 at 08:06:21

platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address: 6720 Chesley Court

city: East Amherst

state: NY

zip: 14051

comments: The Military and the Niagara Falls Air Base is a wonderful asset to our community and I (we) support them!!!!

submit: Submit Petition

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**From:** (Colleen Generoso)  
**Date:** 05/24/05 16:48:34  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Petition

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Colleen Generoso () on Tuesday, May 24, 2005 at 16:48:32

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platform: We oppose the Department of Defense recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Base

address1: 251 Oakbrook Dr.

city: West Seneca

state: ny

zip: 14224

submit: Submit Petition

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BRAC Commission  
Washington DC  
C/o Niagara Military Affairs Council  
P.O. Box 231  
Niagara Falls, NY 14304-0231

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Jill Waz  
6657 Royal Parkway South  
Lockport, NY 14094

Dear Sirs:

It is unwise and unfair to close Niagara Falls Air Force Base.

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Niagara Falls Air Force Reserve Base must not be closed.

*Jill Waz*

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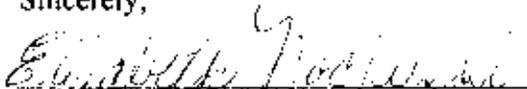
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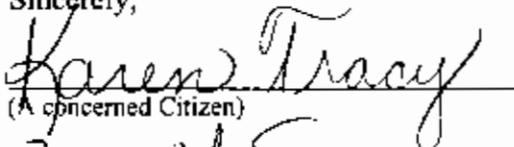
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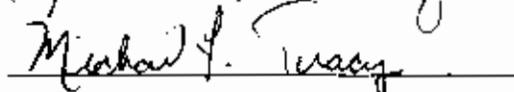
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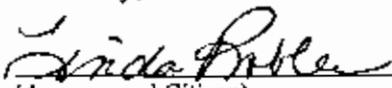
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## **SAVE OUR BASE!!!!**

**Save the Niagara Falls Air Reserve Station, Home of the 914<sup>th</sup> Air Lift Wing and the 107<sup>th</sup> Air National Guard Refueling Wing.**

**We need our base.....the City of Niagara Falls needs our base, Niagara County needs our base, the Western New York area needs our base, our country needs our base.**

**Save the jobs of the men and women who serve and defend our country and all the civilians employed at the base.**

**Claudia Petrosian  
456 Fuller Place  
Lewiston NY 14092**

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~~I urge the Commission in the strongest possible terms to remove Niagara Falls AFB from the Pentagon's recommended list of base closures and to stop the continuing retreat of the military from our region of the country.~~

Sincerely,

Dean A. Castron (MSG, USAF, Ret.)

(A Concerned Citizen)

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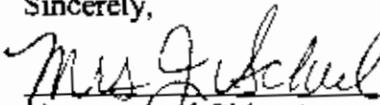
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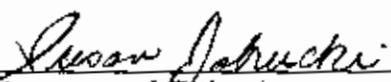
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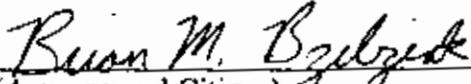
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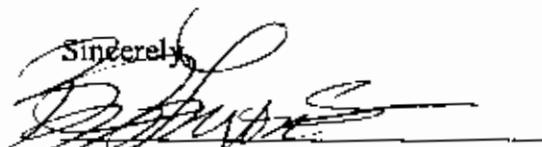
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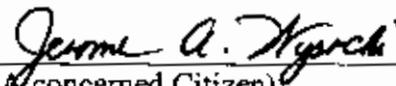
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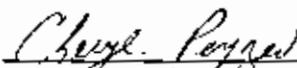
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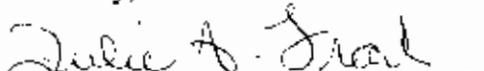
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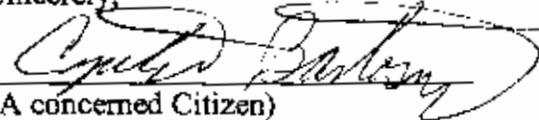
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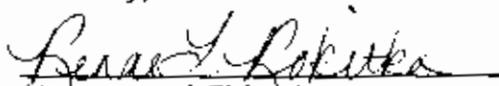
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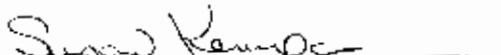
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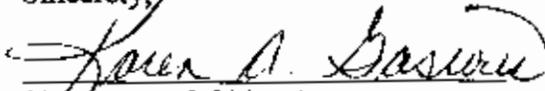
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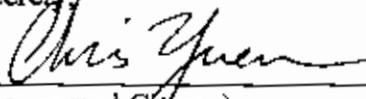
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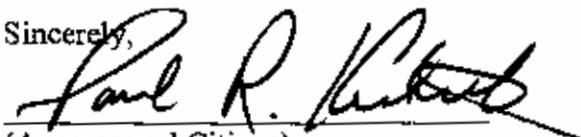
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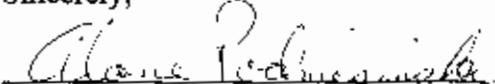
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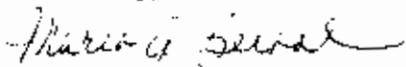
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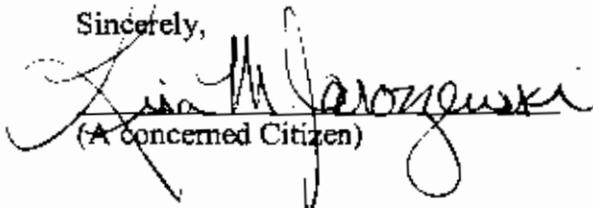
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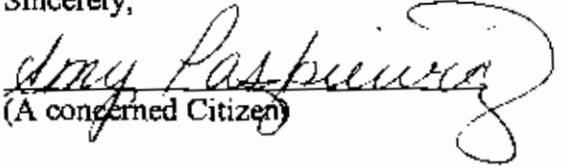
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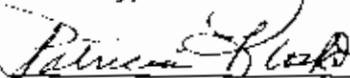
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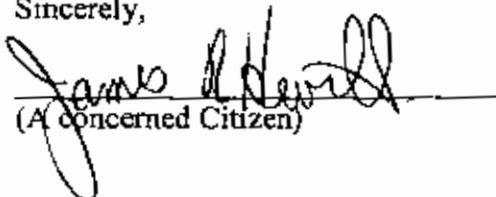
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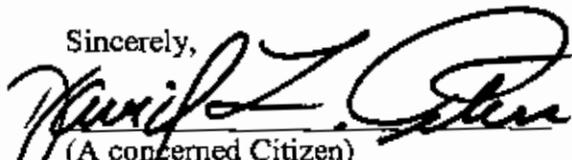
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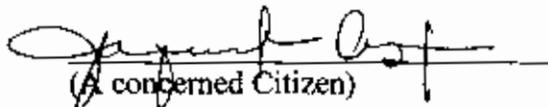
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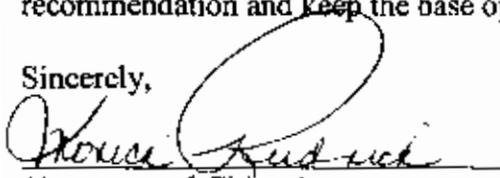
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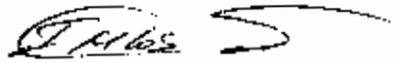
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