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Chairman Anthony J. Principi
Base Realignment and Closure Commission
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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,

Dorothy Shields
(A Concerned Citizen)

Dorothy Shields
34 ALABAMA ST #2
Bflo. NY 14204

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Sincerely,

Maria Bonaiuto
(A concerned Citizen)

125 Wuman St.
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Washington DC.
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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,

Lyle Whitford
Therella Whitford

May 17, 2005

BRAC Commission
Washington, D.C.

To Whom It May Concern:

The Department of Defense has recommended to the BRAC Commission that the Niagara Falls Air Reserve Station be closed. This comes as a very big disappointment to the western New York Community. As Niagara County's second largest employer with nearly 3,000 workers, this would deliver another devastating blow to our region's already declining economy.

The base site lies within close proximity to four major border crossings between the U.S. and Canada, along with the New York State Power Authority's Hydropower complex, which harnesses the waters of the Niagara River and supplies substantial power to the Northeast United States Grid.

While the base serves as a logistical backbone for the war on terror, it is also strategically placed and fully expandable to allow the addition of a fighter squadron to further secure America's northern border and power grid infrastructure. It should be EXPANDED rather than closed.

According to the Niagara Military Affairs Council:

*Closure of the Niagara base would reduce the Air Force presence in NY by 40%, and eliminate the LAST Federal Air Force flying mission in the state. Since 1995, the Niagara base has been modernized with \$35M in new facilities and lengthened runways, which have improved the operational effectiveness of the wings.

*The Niagara base has reduced its Base Operations Support costs by not less 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 would also eliminate 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 8 ADDITIONAL C-130 model aircraft WITHOUT ANY MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.

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I request that you STRONGLY RECONSIDER the decision to close this base. The fine men and women in the 107th Air Refueling Wing and the 914th Airlift Wing have been and continue to be instrumental in securing the home front and fighting the war on terror overseas.

Thank you for your consideration regarding this very important matter.

Sincerely,

Tawissa S Woolley
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Niagara NY 14108

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John R. ...
(A concerned Citizen)

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224 Boulevard ...

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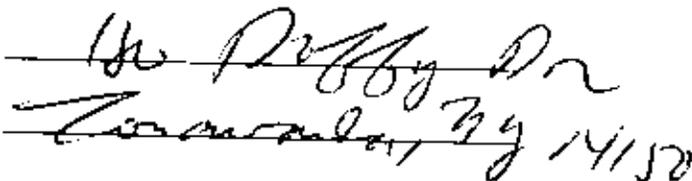
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Jeffrey P. Deaver
(A Condensed Citizen)

Jean D. Phillips
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Beatrice J. Cook
(A concerned Citizen)

Medina, NY 14103

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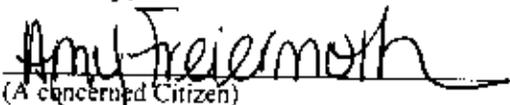
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Sincerely,


(A concerned Citizen)

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Youngstown, NY
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Sincerely,

Mr. + Mrs. Darrell A. Eddings
(A concerned Citizen)

DARRELL A. EDDINGS + T. CAROL EDDINGS

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YOUNGSTOWN, N.Y. 14174

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Sincerely,

Ernest Lindsey

Margaret Lindsey

(A concerned Citizen)

1177 Sweeney

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Sincerely,

Michael J. Shamrock (USAF VET)
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Sincerely,

Kelly A. Lord

(A concerned Citizen)

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198 Humphrey Street

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Sincerely,

Carson + Cindy Kelley

(A concerned Citizen)

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(A concerned Citizen)

David Elmore

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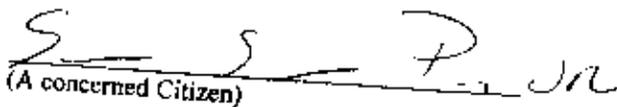
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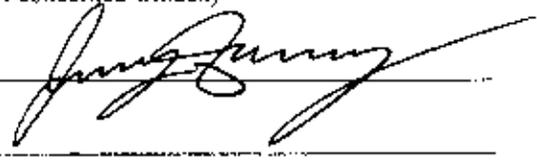
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Jeremy Tierney
(A concerned Citizen)



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Emily Fink
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Dorothy Maminski
(A concerned Citizen)

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NORTH Tonawanda

New York 14120

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267 Christiana St.

No. Tonawanda

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6990 Enrich Rd

N. Tonawanda

N.Y. 14120

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Sincerely,

Josephine Carrone
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3826 De Veaux St
Niagara Falls NY
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Chester J. Samborski
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2777 Stenzel Ave.

N. Tonawanda, N.Y.

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Wm. Ernest Zissel
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I'm 43 and have a wife and 3 kids, the base
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(A concerned Citizen)

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1442 Birchwood

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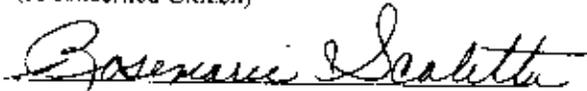
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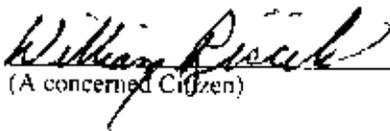
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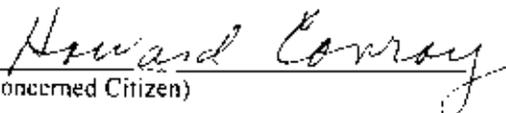
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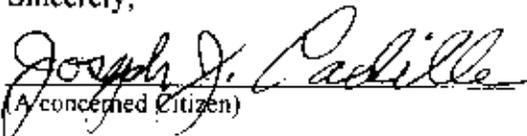
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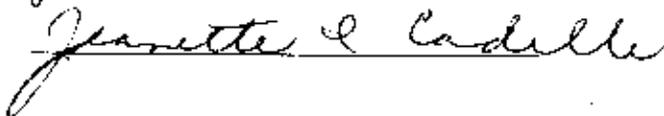
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From: (Joseph W. Diviak III)**Date:** 06/03/05 14:55:42**To:** info@nimac.org**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Joseph W. Diviak III () on Friday, June 3, 2005 at 14:55:40

address1: 45 Parker Ave.

city: Buffalo

state: NY

zip: 14214

comments:

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Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

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Sincerely,

Joseph W. Diviak III

DCN 3347

From: (John Mullane)

Date: 06/03/05 14:31:30

To: info@nimac.org

Subject: Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

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address1: 13776 Centerline Road

city: S. Wales

state: NY

zip: 14139

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address1: 6359 Rounds Rd.

city: Newfane

state: NY

zip: 14108

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From: (Jacinda M. Re)**Date:** 06/03/05 13:57:40**To:** info@nimac.org**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

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state: NY

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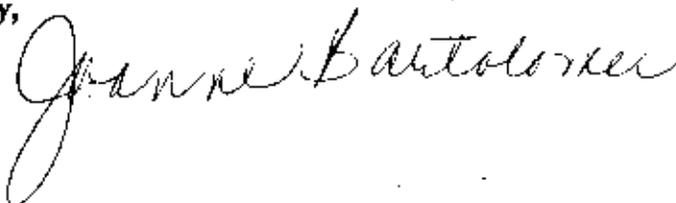
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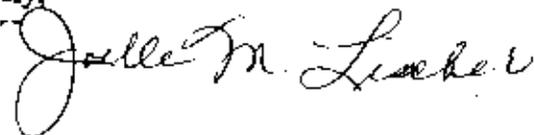
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Andy Lynn Searf

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Date: 06/03/05 13:38:14
To: info@nimac.org
Subject: Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Catherine E Lansberry () on Friday, June 3, 2005 at 13:38:12

address1: 37 Schwegler Road

city: Grand Island

state: NY

zip: 14072

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From: (James Savasta)
Date: 06/03/05 15:26:28
To: info@nimac.org
Subject: Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

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address1: 26 Poisson Street

city: Cumberland

state: RI

zip: 02864

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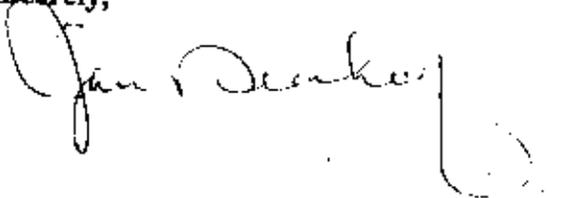
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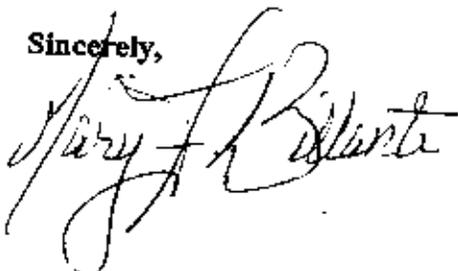
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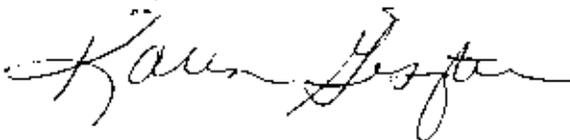
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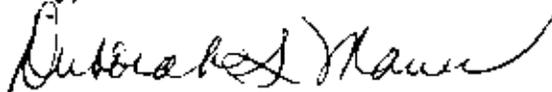
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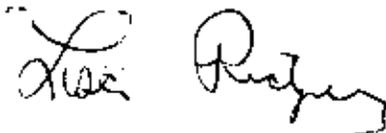
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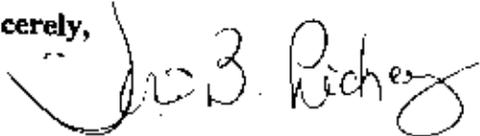
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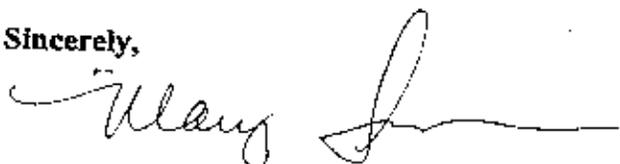
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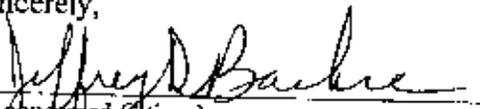
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DEAR MR. PRINCIPAL

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I SAY RECYCLE THE AMERICAN DOLLAR
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OUR FAMILIES SACRIFICED HERE.
THEY DID NOT AND NEVER WILL...

SINCERELY,
THEO. A. MYSTRIK

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Theodore A. Mystrik
(A concerned Citizen)

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(A concerned Citizen) (signature)

James L. Luba
Print name

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address

Orchard Park, NY 14127
City, state, zip code

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Betty M. Danner
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Depew, NY 14043
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752 Edgewater Drive
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Laurie J. Ruffino
LTC, US Army Reserve (Retired)
(A concerned Citizen-Soldier)

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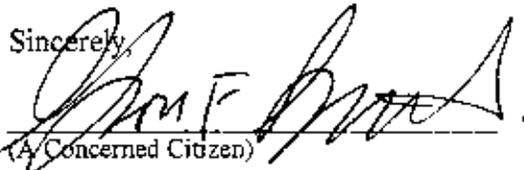
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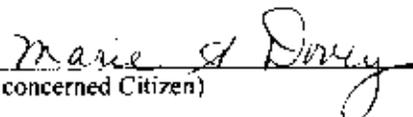
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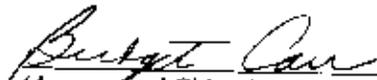
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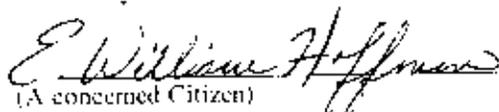
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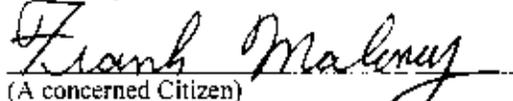
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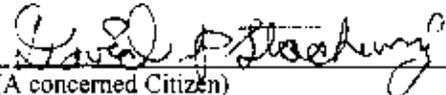
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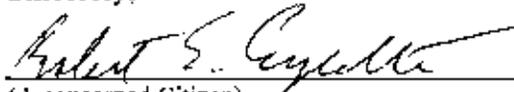
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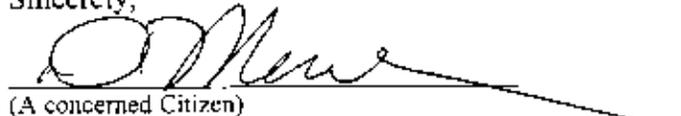
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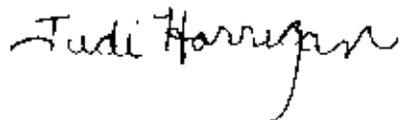
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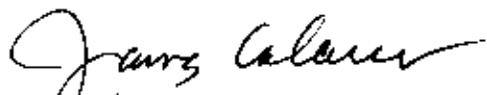
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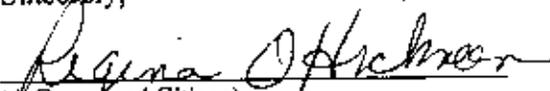
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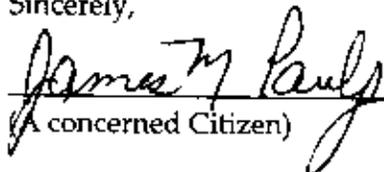
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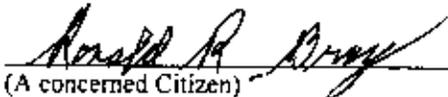
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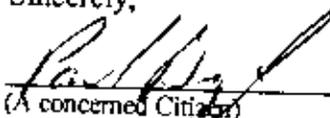
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Sincerely,

Joseph Repec
 (A concerned Citizen)

Joseph G. Repec

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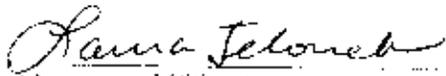
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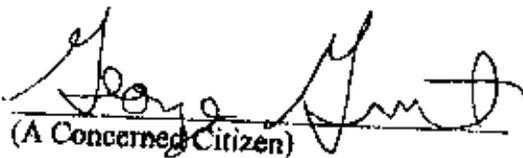
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Miss Pizzicarola

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Quentin
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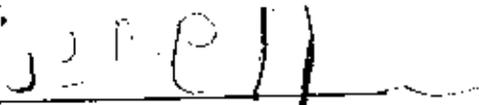
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Sincerely,

[Signature]
(A Concerned Citizen)

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6/28/2005

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Davante
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June 9,2005

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Sincerely,


(A concerned Citizen)

Chanda White

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Jacqueline Leggett
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3575 Curtiss Ave.

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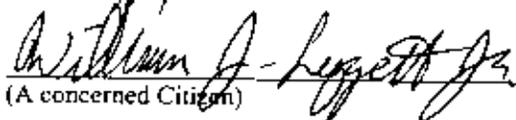
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Sincerely,


(A concerned Citizen)

William J. Leggett Jr.

3575 Curtiss Ave.

Ransomville, N.Y. 14131

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Sincerely,

Andrea R. Ponzi
(A concerned Citizen)

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Sanborn, NY 14132

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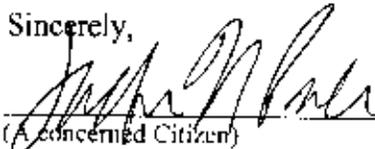
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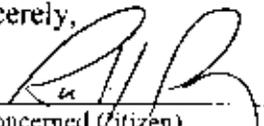
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May 2005

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Add your Name and address

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Washington DC.
c/o NIMAC
P.O. Box 231
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Sincerely,

Dorothy Waters
12016 Million Dollar Hwy.
Medina, N.Y.
14103

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Mrs Angela F Frasier
P.O. Box 262

MEDINA, NY 14103

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Sincerely,

Rita Farley

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Kristen
BRAC Commission
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Lynchville, NY 14108
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1161 Elm Street
Medina, NY 14103

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Margaret Brehm
(A Concerned Citizen)

S. 3545 Fuller Avenue
Blasdell, NY 14219

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Janice Lutz
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5915 Wymkoop Road
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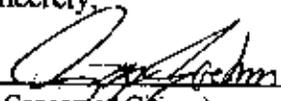
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(A Concerned Citizen)

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HAMBURG, NY 14075

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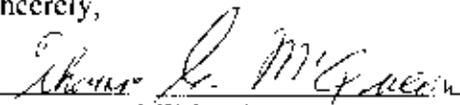
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Pat. Battistoni
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6/17/05

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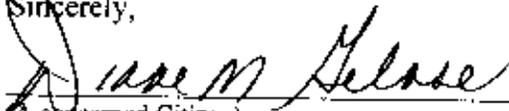
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1124 Pasadena Ave
Niagara Falls
NY 14304

DCN 3347
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LISA VINETTE
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TO : BRAC
FROM : SFC JOANNE R STERNS
SUBJECT: Niagara Falls Base Closing

STRONGLY request you reconsider the closing of the NIAGARA FALLS AIR FORCE BASE.

As a member to the retired military, I know from experience that without this base there would be no SPACE - A - TRAVEL available to our military personnel both active, reserve or retirees.

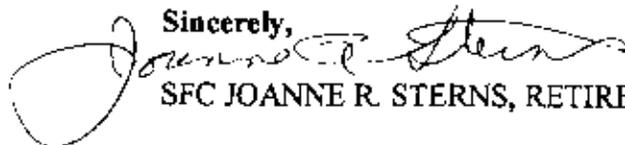
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Did we NOT learn anything from PERAL HARBOR? Do NOT place all our aircraft in one area. BAD MISTAKE.

Weather-wise State of Arkansas is in the middle of TORNADO ALLEY.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


SFC JOANNE R. STERNS, RETIRED

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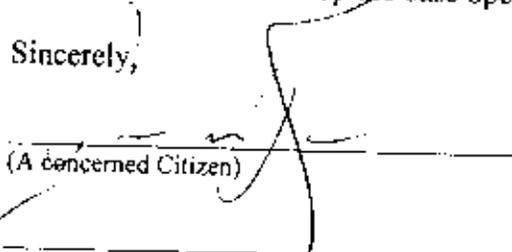
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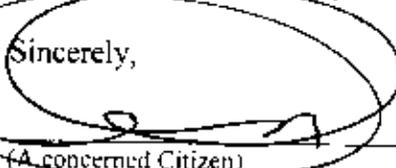
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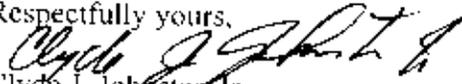
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The Niagara County Building and Construction Trades Council of Western New York and its membership are united in their support of the Niagara Falls Air Force and Reserve base. Don't let one of the remaining military installations in Western New York close. Make every effort to overturn the decision made by the Pentagon and keep the base open. We believe the security of this region would be in jeopardy if the base is closed, and our families may become this nation's latest casualty.

Thank you for your serious consideration in this matter.

Respectfully yours,


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June 10, 2005

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Regarding: Niagara Falls Air Force Reserve and Guard Base

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One of our main concerns would be the security in this region if the base was closed. The Western New York Region borders Canada and extra security is crucial in our effort to fight terrorism. In addition the security is needed to stop illegal aliens from coming into this country from Canada. We are also vulnerable because of the Hydro Power Plant in Lewiston New York. This power plant in the largest producer of electricity in New York State and generates nearly 2.4 million kilowatts. You can imagine how debilitating it would be to New York State if the plant was under some sort of attack. The nearby airbase gives us the security of knowing that they can and will respond quickly.

6/28/2005

Dorothy Koch
416 Erie St
Medina, NY 14103
May 2005

BRAC Commission
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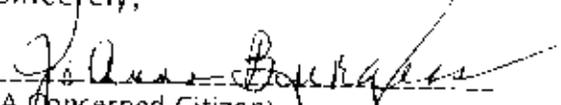
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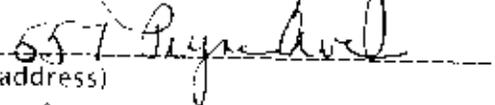
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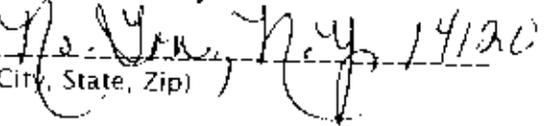
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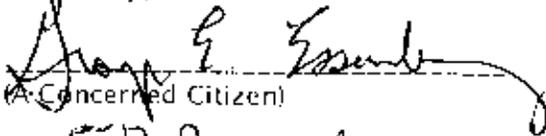
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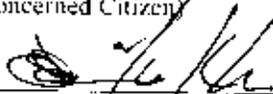
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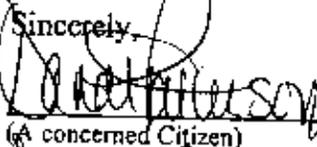
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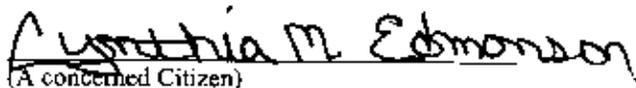
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Michael S. Hrywnak

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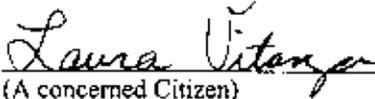
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(A concerned Citizen)

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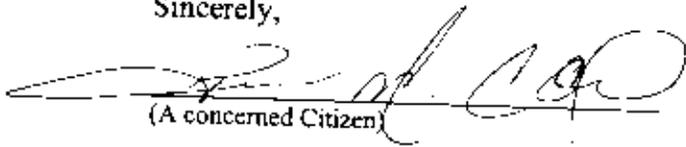
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Tina Cox

761-4th Street
Niagara Falls, New York 14305

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Dawn M. Amelle
(A concerned Citizen)

4527 Deertield Rd.
Hamburg, N.Y.
14075

Please check:
- Strategic area
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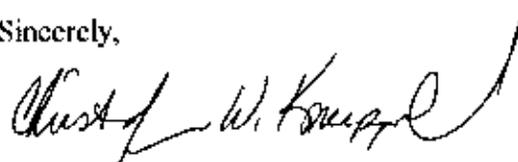
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A Concerned Citizen

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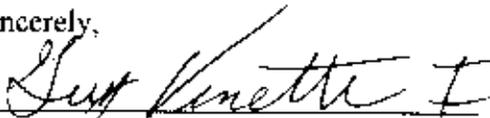
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Michelle Smith

5 East Ave.

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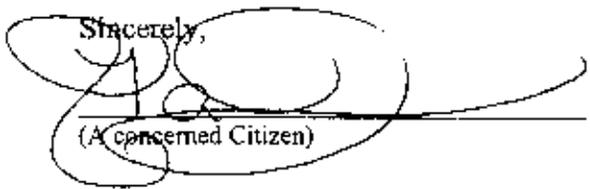
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(A concerned Citizen)

Kanosha Johnson

125 White Street
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May 2005

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Buffalo New York

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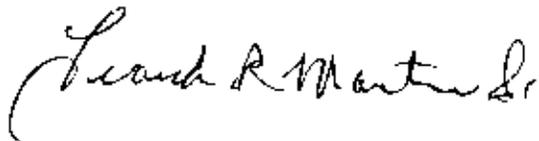
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June 12, 2005

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(A concerned Citizen)

Michelle Fox

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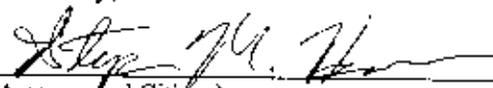
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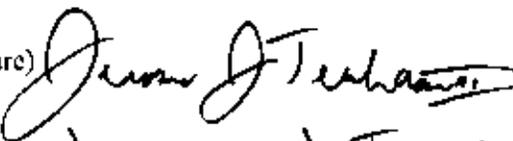
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Considering these facts and figures; I am writing to remind you, our elected representative, of your obligation to use all means necessary in order to persuade the BRAC to reconsider the recommendation to close the station. The fine men and women of the 914th Airlift Wing and the 107th Air Refueling Wing have been instrumental in securing the home front and fighting the war on terror overseas and these highly-decorated units have served their country and represented our State and local communities well.

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

Sincerely,

(Signature) 

(Name) Jerome J. Terhaar

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BRAC Commission
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C/o NIMAC; PO Box 231
Niagara Falls, NY 14304-0231

Dear Commissioners:

The Pentagon has recommended to the BRAC that the Niagara Falls Air Reserve Station in Niagara Falls, New York be closed. As Niagara County's second largest employer with over 3,000 full and part-time workers, this would deliver yet another devastating blow to our region's economy. In addition to the financial concerns, the community pride for our past and present military contributions can not be understated.

The base site lies within close proximity to four major border crossings between the U.S. and Canada, along with the New York State Power Authority's Hydropower Complex which supplies substantial power to the Northeast United States Power Grid. The size and location of the base would also allow it to be used for responses to natural disasters or terror attacks in the Northeast United States. While the base serves as a logistical backbone for the War on Terror, it is also strategically placed and fully expandable. It should be expanded rather than closed.

According to the Niagara Military Affairs Council:

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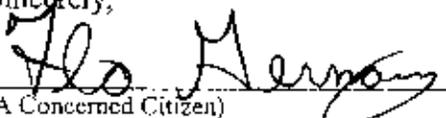
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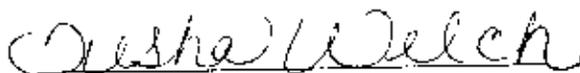
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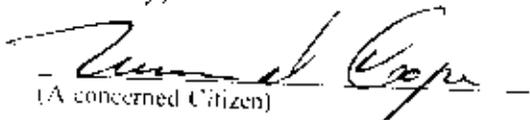
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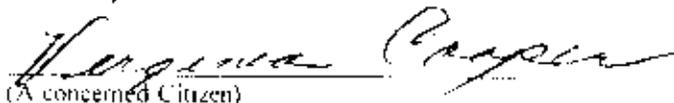
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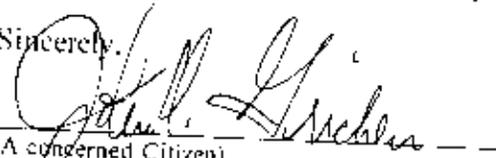
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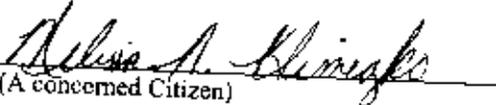
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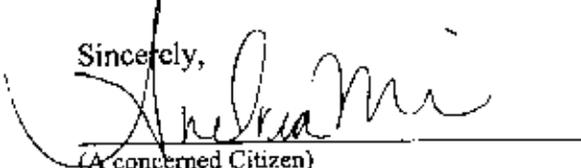
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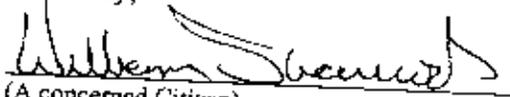
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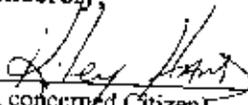
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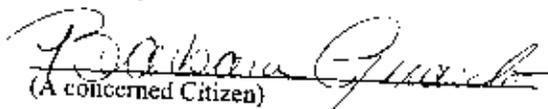
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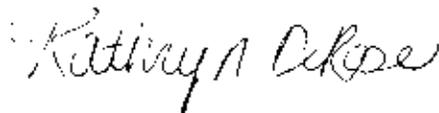
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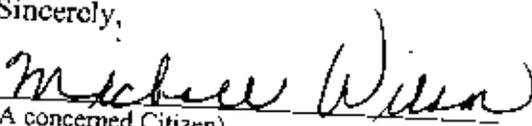
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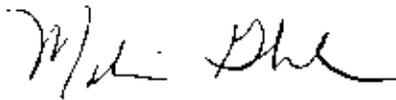
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Thank you for your time and consideration on this most important matter.

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According to the Niagara Military Affairs Council:

- Closure of Niagara would reduce the Air Force presence in NY by 40%, and eliminate the *last* Federal Air Force flying mission in the State. Since 1995, Niagara has been modernized with \$35M in new facilities and lengthened runways which have improved the operational effectiveness of the wings.
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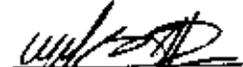
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Sincerely,

Lucia Signore
(A Concerned Citizen)

154 Fisher Ln.

Belts, NY 14221

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6/4/05

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Kenneth R. S. A.

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355 WINDFALL ST.

N. TOWN, N.Y. 14120

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(A Concerned Citizen)

49 SUNSET RD.

CHEEKTOWAGA, NY 14226

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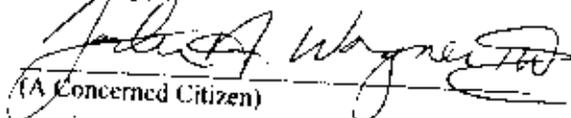
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10 CHEROKEE COURT
MONTVILLE, NJ 07045

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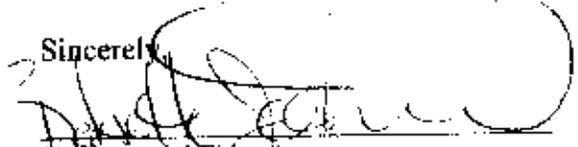
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Babette Johnson

6270 Deer Rd

Scottdale, NY 14132

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Sandra Marie Salamon

15 Eaglebrook Drive

West Seneca NY 14224-4620

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Amy Wagner Winkelmann
(A concerned Citizen)

Wagner's Farm Market
2672 Lockport rd
Sanborn NY 14132

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Norma E. DeFilippis
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2448 Cleveland Ave
Niagara Falls, NY
14305

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Bernadine M Cuyler
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834 Orchard Dr

Leicester ng 14092

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Bonnie M. Rombuska
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61 Mitchell Dr. Tonawanda

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(A concerned Citizen)

Richard J. Martin
4607 A Chestnut Hill
Aurora, NY 14012

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94 NORTH MARCO 4 ST
NORTH TONAWANDA NY
14120

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122 Amsterdam St.
Tonawanda N.Y.
14150

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[Handwritten Signature]
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David S. Wark
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157 Frederick R.D.

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Richard D. Ketchum
(A concerned Citizen)

209 Fletcher

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Janet C. Suter
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188 E. Niagara St.
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Jason C. Johnson
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558 Fletcher Street
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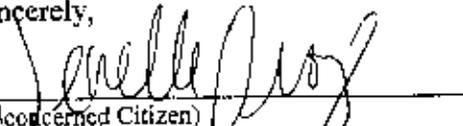
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29 Greenwood Cir.
N. Tonawanda NY
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Cynthia Buchaltz
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2080 River Rd.

Wheatfield, NY 14304

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216 Franklin St

Tonawanda NY 14150

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Diane M. Herrmann
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*78 Henrietta Ave
Buffalo, NY 14207*

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6-14-05

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57 B Central Lane

N. Tonawanda, N.Y.

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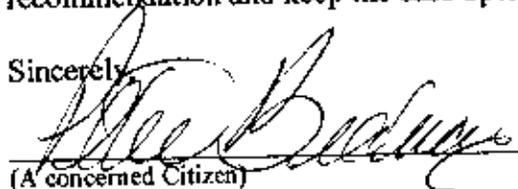
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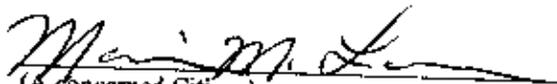
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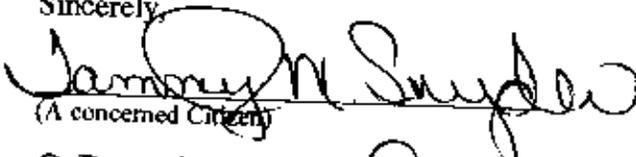
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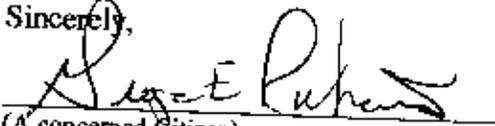
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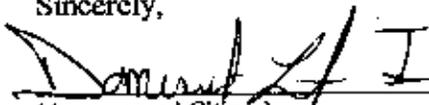
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Bernadette M. Madise
(A Concerned Citizen)

1016 St James Pl
Saratoga NY 14222

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Richard Catchpole Jr.
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And how bout the
security around the
border?? I feel a little
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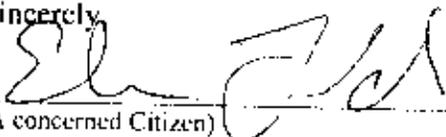
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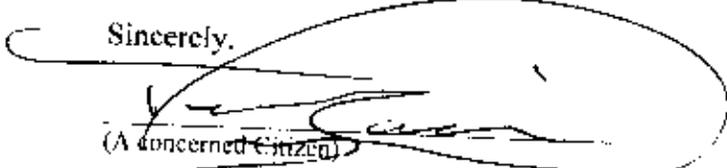
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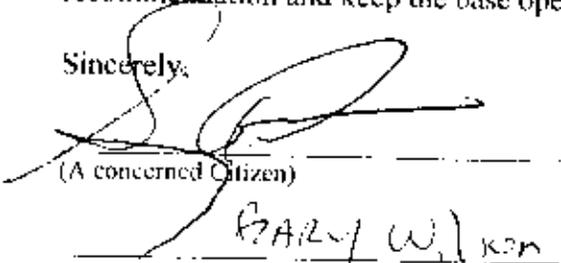
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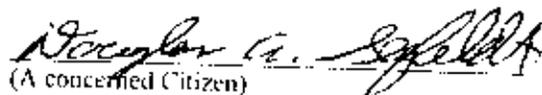
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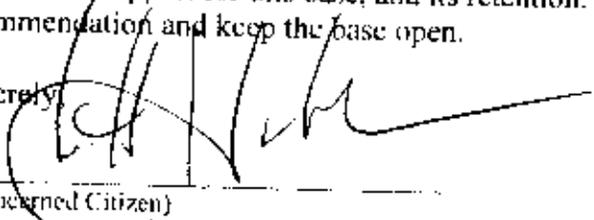
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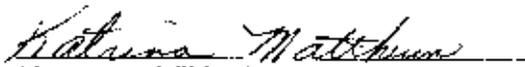
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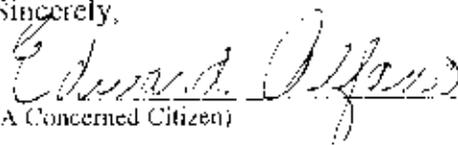
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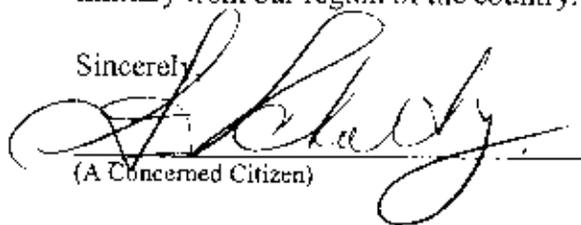
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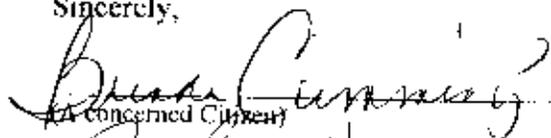
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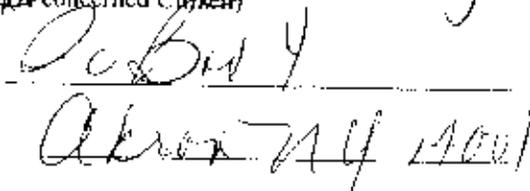
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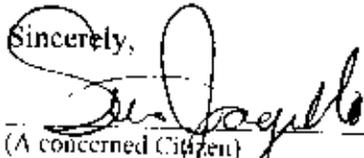
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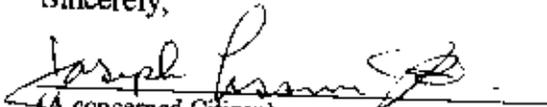
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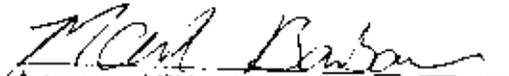
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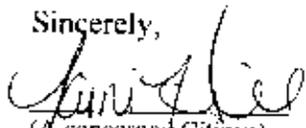
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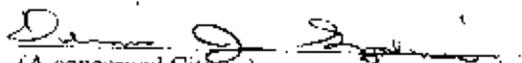
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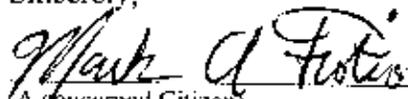
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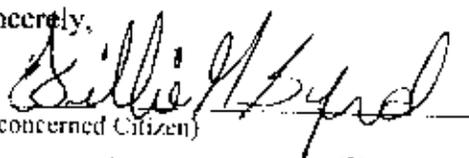
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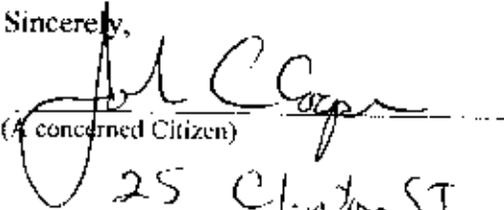
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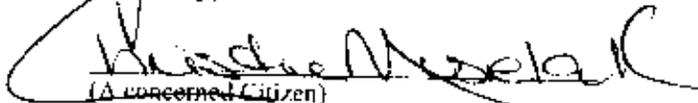
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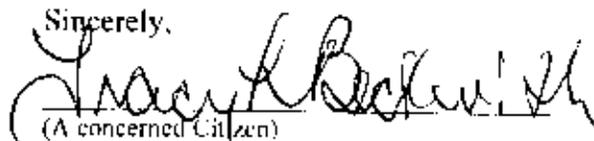
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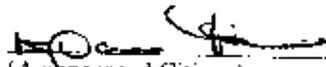
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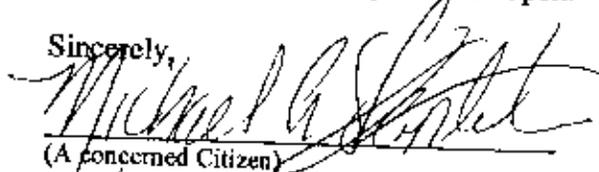
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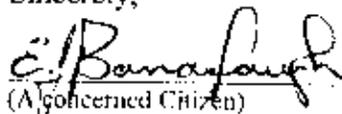
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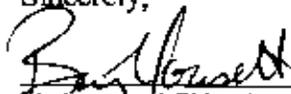
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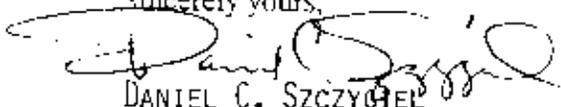
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I urge the Commission, in the strongest possible terms, to remove Niagara Falls Air Reserve Station from the Pentagon's recommended list of base closures and to stop the continuing retreat of the military from our region of the country.

Sincerely yours,


DANIEL C. SZCZYGIEL
PRESIDENT

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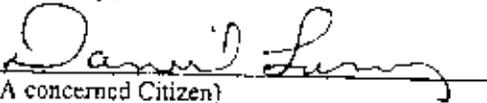
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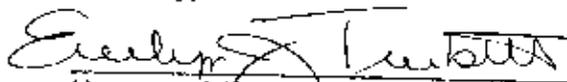
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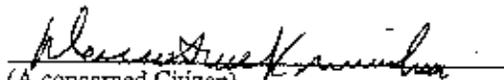
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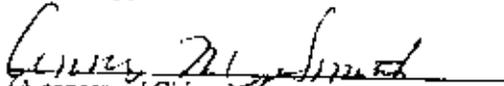
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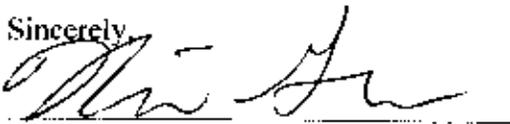
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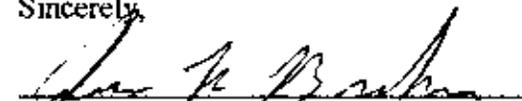
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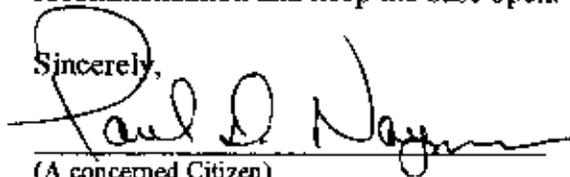
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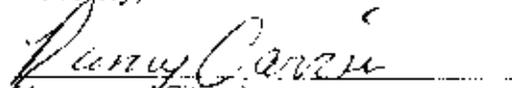
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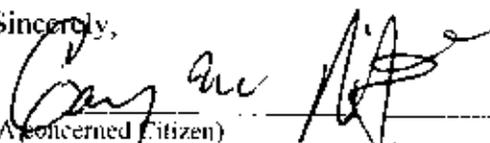
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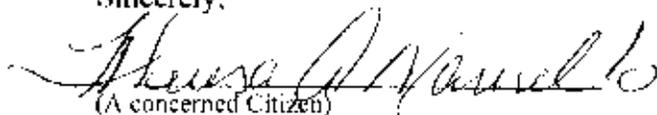
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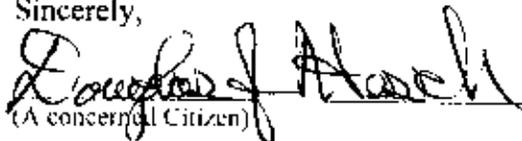
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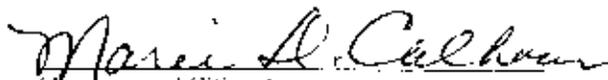
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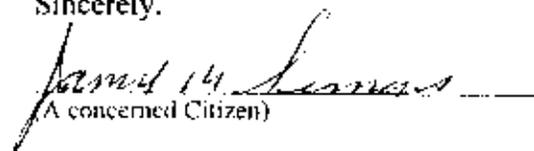
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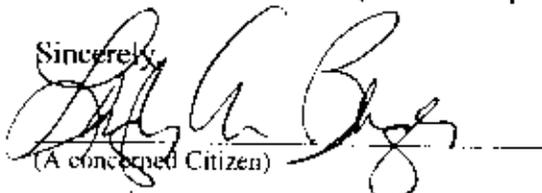
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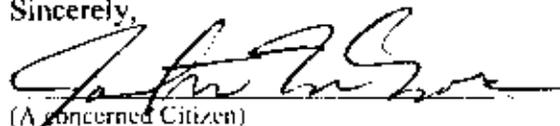
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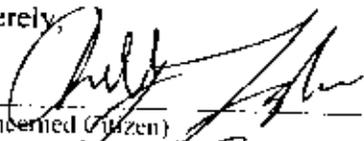
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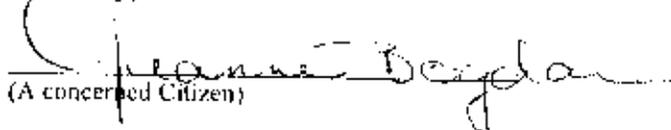
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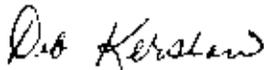
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Considering these facts and figures; I am writing to remind you, our elected representative, of your obligation to use all means necessary in order to persuade the BRAC to reconsider the recommendation to close the station. The fine men and women of the 914th Airlift Wing and the 107th Air Refueling Wing have been instrumental in securing the home front and fighting the war on terror overseas and these highly-decorated units have served their country and represented our State and local communities well.

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

Sincerely,



Deb Kershaw

BRAC Commission
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C/o NIMAC; PO Box 231
Niagara Falls, NY 14304-0231

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According to the Niagara Military Affairs Council:

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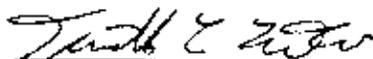
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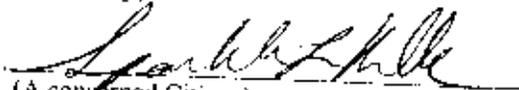
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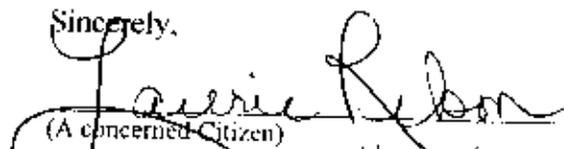
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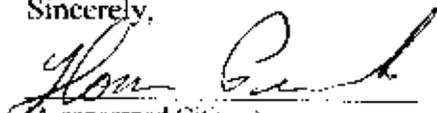
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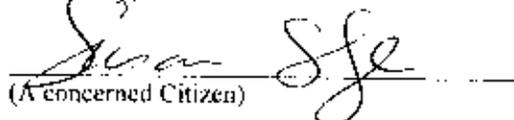
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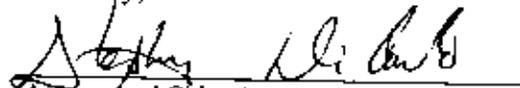
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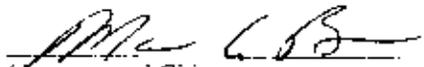
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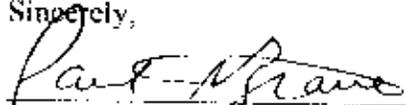
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Sincerely,


(A Concerned Citizen)

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Bklyn NY 11216

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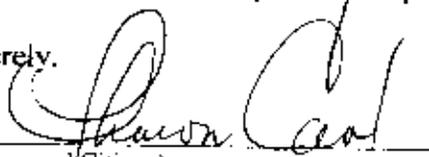
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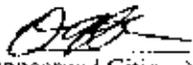
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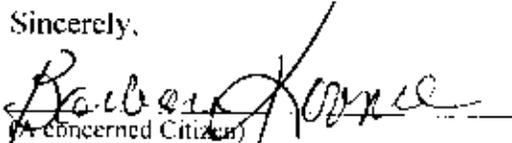
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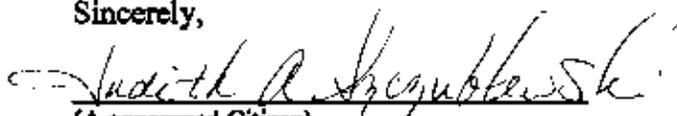
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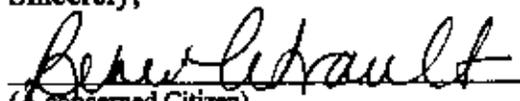
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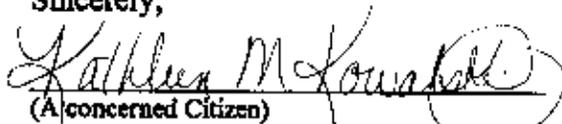
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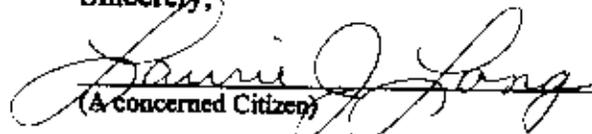
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- Disaster Recovery
- Ordnance coordination support
- Resource coordination and support
- Civil support
- Environmental agent detection
- Environmental Health and support
- Support for maintaining continuity of government operations
- **Focal point for any federal response staging**

Closure of the Niagara Falls Air and Guard Base would have a wide- ranging deleterious effect on the homeland security and economic stability of Niagara County and the surrounding region. Therefore, we ask of you, in serious consideration of our citizenry, to reverse your decision.

Respectfully yours,



Elaine Roman, BSN
Public Health Planning and Information Officer
Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator

May 25, 2005

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Since President Bush issued Presidential Decision Directive 8: National Preparedness (HSPD-8) on December 17, 2003, we have accelerated our local efforts in Niagara County to assess our risks, vulnerabilities and capacities to prepare and respond to large-scale emergencies and threats to the health and security of our local and regional communities. The airbase has been an integral planning partner in our local and regional efforts, as we have incorporated the DHS prescribed capabilities-based planning process to build up our critical capacity for homeland security. Partner representatives sit on our Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), Health Emergency Alert and Response Team (HEART) and Medical Reserve Corp (MRC), to name a few. Moreover, the Niagara Falls Air Base and Guard partners are written into our local, municipal, county, regional, public health and cross-border emergency plans.

As you know, inter-agency coordination is absolutely essential to build capacities to respond to and mitigate large scale emergencies. A recent gap analysis of our county demonstrates the need for continued partnership with the Niagara Falls Air and Guard Base. The following illustrates how the air base contributes to strategic security and serves to augment readiness and critical response capacities:

- Aviation support for domestic and cross-border security incidents
- Secure land and air transport support for release and dissemination of federal pharmaceutical and medical assets
- Support for mass prophylaxis and vaccination
- Fire and HAZMAT support
- Emergency Medical and Public Health System support
- Technology and Communications infrastructure support
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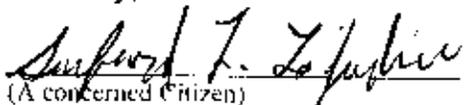
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