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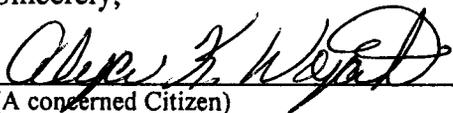
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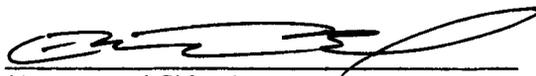
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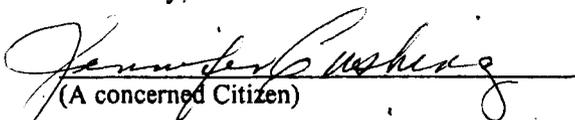
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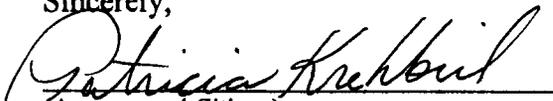
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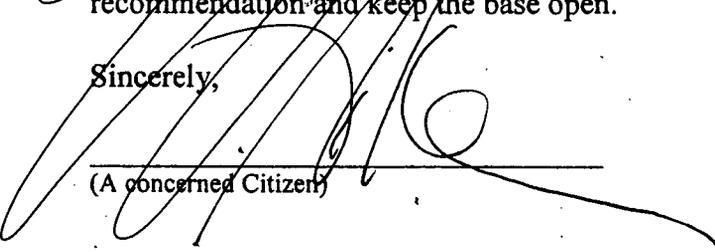
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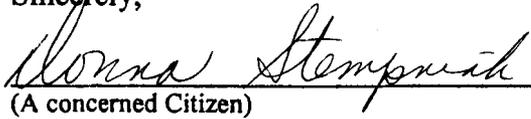
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(PRINT NAME)

5839 Joanne Dr.  
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Sanborn, NY 14132  
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Kay Brown  
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Sincerely,

Donna M. Stevens  
(A Concerned Citizen)

July, 2005

BRAC Commission

AUG 27 2005

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Jacqueline Jones  
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Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
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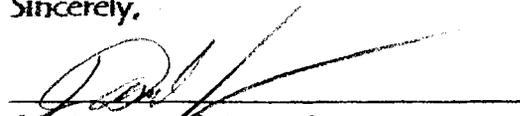
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Mary Ellen Spicer  
(A Concerned Citizen)

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Sandra A. Schultz  
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JANICE KIRCHNER  
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Sincerely,

Janice Kirchner  
(A Concerned Citizen)

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July, 2005

Amanda Schuitz

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Sincerely,

Amanda Schuitz  
(A Concerned Citizen)

August, 2005

Justina Baire  
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Olean, NY 14760  
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BRAC Commission

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This is the Air Force base that will protect the residents of Niagara Falls if there is ever a terrorist attack. By closing this base, you and your commissioners are at a risk for this event and could possibly be responsible for any deaths associated. Therefore, who will protect this region that the Air Force base sits in the middle of? Will the Guard respond to man-made or natural disasters when they occur after these massive cuts/closings/consolidations?

I beg the Commission in the strongest possible terms to remove the Niagara Falls Air Force Base Reserve Station from the Pentagon's recommended list of base closures and to stop the continuing retreat of military from our region of the country.

Sincerely,

Justina Baire  
(A Concerned Citizen)

BRAC Commission

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John M McClune

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John M. McClune  
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Sincerely,

Caroline M. McClune  
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LUCILLE CARLEY  
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Lucille Carley  
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BRAC Commission

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June, 2005

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Sincerely,

PHILIP A LECHNER

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BRAC Commission

AUG 11 2009

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Robert Endres  
2075 Ingleside Ct.  
Crofton, Maryland

Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commissioners:

I am upset with the Defense Department's recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Force Reserve and Guard Base. I feel that it takes many jobs from the people of Niagara Falls and WNY. This is the largest military facility in that area and closing this base will leave many people unemployed. Many of the people in the area surrounding base are also displeased with the Defense Department's decision and have put things like "Save Our Airbase" on their marques to show their displeasure.

I myself have been staying in the airbase ever since I was born for at least once a year. My family visits relatives who live in Buffalo and we stay at the airbase every year. We choose to stay there because of their low prices and great service. Their staff is very friendly and try's to house us as best as possible even when room is scarce because of training exercises and things of that nature. If the airbase closes our family would lose almost a tradition when we travel to Buffalo and Western New York.

I think if this airbase was to close that many people would be hurt by this move. Also many of the people surrounding the base would be outraged. My family also would be very displeased with this decision.

Sincerely,

*Robert Endres*  
Robert Endres

BRAC Commission  
AUG 2 2005  
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05/26/05

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Sincerely,

Mark A. Belbel  
(A Concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,

Sam & Gail Gouin  
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New York

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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.

Sincerely,

Diane & Harry Douricki  
(A concerned Citizen)

53 Chris Avenue

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Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commissioners:

I was dismayed to hear that the Defense Department recommended that Niagara Falls Air Force Reserve and Guard Base be closed. This recommendation is not in the nation's nor the Air Force's best interest and the BRAC Commission should reverse this decision and remove them from the base closure list.

Niagara Air Force Base is a pillar of the community in Western New York. It is the chief employer of Niagara County. The decimation of jobs will result in high unemployment and poverty, resulting in increased federal aid and other social and economic problems that accompany such results. Said aid will come from the "money saved" by closing the base. And increased county and state taxes.

Niagara AFB is a fully utilized base. Its missions contribute to all major military missions. The K-135 engines can be heard day and night preparing to take off. It is vital to the continued support to the military world wide. In addition, it is the only remaining military installation in Western New York. It encourages patriotism and support of the military and encourages recruitment. In fact, Niagara Falls AFB has been key to military recruitment in Western New York. A visible military increases pride and familiarity of the military.

The impact of the decision to close the base will be devastating to the New York Air Force Reserve and the Air National Guard. They have a high recruiting and retention rate, it is a major employer and the primary community cohesion in that region. The fallout from the base closure is much greater than the money that will result from the closure of this base. I hope that you will rethink closing the base and overturn the Pentagon's recommendation and - **Keep This Base Open.**

Sincerely,



Shirley J. A. Endres  
A concerned citizen

BRAC Commission

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Sincerely,



E. Thomas Rockey  
1641 South Bend Lane  
Lakeview N.Y. 14085

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathleen Rockey".

Kathleen Rockey  
1641 South Bend Lane  
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AUG 27 2005

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8/19/05

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Sincerely,

Nancy Korte  
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