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**RE: Resolution in Support of Otis Air National Guard Base**

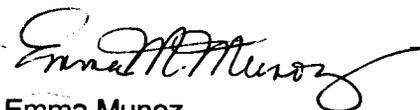
Dear BRAC Commission:

I am a resident of Plymouth, MA in support of the retention of the Otis Air National Guard (Otis ANG) Base operations at the Massachusetts Military Reservation (MMR). Otis ANG Base is an integral and valued part of the Sandwich community and the entire Cape Cod region (including Plymouth). The base provides an extra level of security in Plymouth, as a landmark of the United States, against terrorist attacks on the working Nuclear facility in our area. Most importantly, the military missions it fulfills are of utmost importance to the safety and protection of the United States as a whole.

Otis ANG Base and F-15s from the 102nd Fighter Wing were the first military aircraft to reach the World Trade Center during the September 11, 2001 attacks. They regularly provide a myriad of military and homeland security functions, as well as vital support to the U.S. Coast Guard at Air Station Cape Cod, one of the busiest installations in the country. Otis ANG Base is the host installation for all of the military and homeland security operations at the MMR, including U.S. Army Guard training at Camp Edwards and numerous Coast Guard operations. It is clear the loss of Otis would severely damage the shared infrastructure and resources currently found on the MMR.

I, along with the Sandwich Selectmen, strongly urge the Base Realignment and Closure Commission to remove Otis ANG Base from the list of military installations being considered for closure and/or realignment. Simply put, Otis ANG Base is too important for our nation's security and homeland defense to be relocated.

Sincerely,



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