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Representative James H. Bilbray
BRAC Commission

Dear Sir:

you are from Nevada and therefore understand the nature of the rural west — its values, its economics, and its passions. In eastern New Mexico, Cannon AFB fits this country like a glove. The Base personnel are visible, respected, and valued. Many of us personally know the "brass" as well as the men and women who "throw the planes" on the flight line. Those planes are in our skies. Those men and women are in our hearts.

Please give us a chance to show you how one little community can support the 27th. Allow us to keep Cannon.

Sincerely,

Patrice Caldwell
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