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Rebecca LaFontaine

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2521 S. Clark St.
Arlington, Va 22202

Re: CANNON AIR FORCE BASE ON CLOSURE LIST

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS:

Our City and Community, as well as Portales, Roosevelt County, Cities of Amarillo and Lubbock, Texas were all shocked to hear CANNON is on the closure list.

It is most difficult to understand why, as CANNON has met, in fact exceeded the requirements of the Pentagon Officials who developed the closure list. Millions of dollars have been spent recently on expanding the fire station, hospital, runway and the overpass.

It will be very devastating and far reaching for us, even closing one of our schools that mostly children of CANNON attends.

All consideration possible should be given to removing CANNON from the list. We are all human and can make a mistake, and I certainly feel a human error was made when CANNON was placed on the list.

I'm looking forward to attending your meeting in Clovis next month.

Sincerely;

cc:

President George W. Bush
The White House

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Santa Fe, NM

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238 Hart Senate Office Bldg.

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Sincerely, Carl E. Sipes

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To Whom It May Concern

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4. The retirees also come to the base to shop at the base commissary for discount groceries and when they are at the base do other shopping in the community.

5. Last, the base and the community have one of the greatest relationships for military and civilians. It would be a loss to lose this wonderful relationship. Cannon and Clovis have had this relationship for the past 60 years and it grows every year.

Your consideration in taking the above reasons for keeping Cannon open is greatly appreciated.

Emmie Lowe
245 Merrill Dr.
Clovis, N.M. 88101

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operation KEEP CANNON Letter Campaign

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The closure of Cannon will also have a devastating impact on our economy. It has been estimated that the area will lose at least 20 percent of its workforce, a percentage out of line with the effect of base closings in other communities. Cannon is critical for us.

I invite you to come personally to the Cannon hearing in Clovis. I ask you to please reconsider Cannon's importance to the nation and to my community. Please, let us KEEP CANNON!

Sincerely,
(signature and address)

Ruth A. Randleman
852 Deer View Dr.
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Benny Pacheco 505 769-1015

1600 West Grand

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I recognize the positive influence that Cannon has on our community. Military personnel feel welcome and at home. Many have donated time to our local charities and have set wonderful examples. I appreciate them and would deeply regret to see them leave.

An estimated 20 percent of the workforce will be lost if Cannon is closed. Clovis and Portales, as you know, are small communities with a very limited source of employment. Without CAFB, many people will be unemployed and this will cause disaster among this exceptional community. I am very concerned that with an increase in the unemployment rate, the local crime rate will increase as well.

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- Great year-round weather for flying conditions
- Melrose bombing range is seconds away
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- Ample space and ramp space for surge force requirements
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- Large military retiree population within a 150 mile radius

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- Expansion and new industry is providing job opportunities for spouses and children
- Many new housing developments are providing housing needs
- New restaurants, building suppliers, and retail businesses adding to the established base
- New Civic Center under construction for increased community events
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- The best schools and teaching staff in NM
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It is most difficult to understand why, as CANNON has met, in fact exceeded the requirements of the Pentagon Officials who developed the closure list. Millions of dollars have been spent recently on expanding the fire station, hospital, runway and the overpass.

It will be very devastating and far reaching for us, even closing one of our schools that mostly children of CANNON attends

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Debbie Montoya
1000 Cypress St. Clovis
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Janie Mendoza
712 E 13th
Clovis NM 88101

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Signed: Lorita Jowell

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Some of the things are the abundance of air space, void of any encroachment issues, the future use of super sonic flying, the fabulous weather that permits a year round training ability. In addition, the Melrose bombing range is seconds from the end of the runways at Cannon, which allows pilots to get airborne and immediately begin their training operations over the area.

In the early 90's, Curry County, in conjunction with the state of New Mexico purchased air easements around Cannon AFB and GAVE them the to the Air Force. This was done to protect that air space from encroachments and was an important issue for the Air Force as it is today. The local community purchased land North of Cannon AFB and GAVE it back to the Air Force for additional housing, now known as Chavez Manor. Within the last few years, our community purchased land West of Cannon and GAVE it back to the Air Force for the installation of instrument lighting on the alternate runway at the base.

Cannon has the space and facilities to accommodate joint war fighting, training, and readiness as was evidenced by the recent joint training effort between Cannon and the US Navy. Cannon has won countless awards, both on the ACC level, Air Force and NAF levels, and national and STAT levels.

As hopefully you will personally witness, the relationship between Cannon AFB and the surrounding towns: Clovis, Portales, Lubbock, Amarillo and many others is UNLIKE ANY OTHER INSTALLATION IN THE COUNTRY. These towns are home to large military retiree populations which rely on Cannon AFB for healthcare, grocery shopping, and more.

Our community has reached out and supported the base like no other community over the past 50 years. We've done so financially, morally, spiritually and above all, consistently. We are proud, honored and blessed to have Cannon Air Force Base and will stand behind it and everything it stands for. The sound of those jets flying over is the sound of FREEDOM!

Sincerely,

Andrea Williams

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The closure of Cannon will also have a devastating impact on our economy. It has been estimated that the area will lose at least 20 percent of its workforce, a percentage out of line with the effect of base closings in other communities. Cannon is critical for us.

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Sincerely,
(signature and address)

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Sincerely,
(signature and address)

Ethel Lozano
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Signed: Diana [illegible]

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(signature and address)

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