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BRAC Commission
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Dear Commission Members:

I am respectfully asking you to reconsider closing Cannon Air Force Base in Clovis, New Mexico.

I am an unmarried former dependent spouse of an Air Force Member and I use the base for my medical needs and shopping. I live 17 miles from Cannon and care for my 93 year old mother. My income is very limited and having the base to use is a tremendous help to me. I am acquainted with several retired families who use the base regularly. When I worked in Military Clothing at Cannon, I met quite a few people who had driven from Roswell to shop.

If Cannon is closed, there will not be a base close enough for me to go to. The closest one will be Kirtland in Albuquerque, over 300 miles from Melrose. Albuquerque is so large, I will not be able to drive in it, as I am aging quickly.

How will I renew my identification card? Will Tri-Care pay for a doctor or my medicines? These are some of the things that worry me. My reasons are personal, however there are many other reasons, we need Cannon. The economy would be devastated; many lives, homes, and businesses would be disrupted beyond repair. It is not right to damage so many lives in this way. A lot of money has been spent to up-grad Cannon, please do not let this money to have been spent in vain.

Thank you for your time.

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Sincerely,
Judy Casady
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