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The Honorable Anthony Principi
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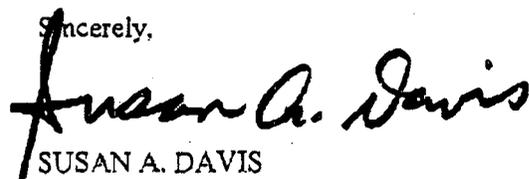
Dear Chairman Principi:

Thank you for the recent visit to San Diego by yourself and members of the Base Realignment and Closure Commission on August 5, 2005. I appreciated the opportunity to meet with you and the other Commissioners and enjoyed our dialogue on the future of the Navy Broadway Complex in San Diego. I am pleased that you agree that the Broadway Complex provides the Navy and the City of San Diego with an exciting opportunity to build on its legendary relationship.

The examination of the Navy Broadway Complex by the Commission has prompted some healthy discussions between the Navy and City of San Diego. Since your recent visit, joint stakeholders have met on two occasions to discuss the future of this valuable piece of property. I believe that these meetings and subsequent dialogue have shown a significant amount of agreement between both military and civilian entities on key aspects concerning the redevelopment of the Broadway Complex. Indeed, these conversations have helped to build upon the strong foundations provided in the 1987 special legislation, the 1992 Development Agreement, and numerous other efforts made before the commencement of the 2005 BRAC. I am confident that, if permitted to proceed, these discussions will result in the achievement of appropriate milestones and conclude with the execution of a development contract before the January 2007 expiration of the current Development Agreement.

I hope that your visit to the Broadway Complex, the testimony of local representatives in Monterey, California, and the Secretary of the Navy's August 15, 2005 letter to you made clear our position on the Broadway Complex. We believe that the most effective and efficient method for redeveloping the Broadway property is within the existing legislative authority and outside of the BRAC process.

Thank you for your service to our nation. You have my very best wishes as you and your colleagues conclude the Commission's time consuming and deliberative process.

Sincerely,

SUSAN A. DAVIS
Member of Congress