

Date: 7/19/05
To: Brac Commission
From: Linda L. Sprinkle
Subject: Please do not close Ft. Monroe

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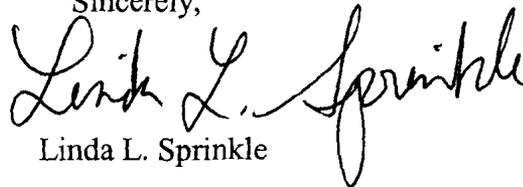
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I was born at Ft. Monroe on 4/1/50. Both my brothers were also born there. My father served in the Army over 20 years at Ft. Monroe. It is my home; my family. I am pleading with you to not close Ft. Monroe.

Its historic significance can never be replaced and will not be maintained by the public. Please do not use costs factors for the years 2003 or 2004 in your consideration of keeping it open. Hurricane Isabel severely affected Ft. Monroe financially as it did all of Hampton. We have not had a storm with as destructive financial affects since the big storm of 1933.

I love Ft. Monroe. Please do not destroy it. I t can never be replaced.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Linda L. Sprinkle". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large, prominent "L" at the beginning.

Linda L. Sprinkle