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Village of Moreland Hills

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Office of the Mayor
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June 22, 2005

Lloyd W. Newton, General
USAF (Ret)
2005 Base Realignment and Closure Commission

Dear General Newton:

On behalf of the Village of Moreland Hills, Ohio, I sincerely urge you to preserve the Cleveland office of Defense Finance and Accounting Service as you consider the proposed list of closures and realignment submitted to you by the U.S. Department of Defense this past May.

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Sincerely,

Charles M. DeGross
Mayor of Moreland Hills, Ohio

City of Brook Park

Mark J. Elliott, Mayor



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June 21, 2005

Lloyd W. Newton, General USAF
2005 Base Realignment and Closure
Commission

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Mayor



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DEBORAH L. SUTHERLAND
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June 20, 2005

**To: Lloyd W. Newton, General, USAF (Ret) and the
2005 Base Realignment and Closure Commission**

On behalf of the City of Bay Village, Ohio, I urge you to preserve the Cleveland office of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service as you consider the proposed list of closures and realignments submitted to you by the U.S. Department of Defense on May 13, 2005.

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Sincerely,

Mayor Deborah L. Sutherland
City of Bay Village, Ohio



RESOLUTION NO. 05-61
INTRODUCED BY: Reese

**A RESOLUTION
URGING THE UNITED STATES BASE CLOSURE AND REALIGNMENT
COMMISSION TO RETAIN THE DEFENSE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING
SERVICE IN DOWNTOWN CLEVELAND, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Bay Village, Ohio has as one of its primary responsibilities improving the health and welfare of its citizens, which includes ensuring the availability of a diverse selection of employment opportunities in the Greater Cleveland area; and

WHEREAS, the Defense Finance & Accounting Service (DFAS) in downtown Cleveland is currently the fourth largest federal employer in Greater Cleveland, with a \$65 million annual payroll; and

WHEREAS, DFAS employs some 1,200 people from throughout the region, and provides jobs that are vital to the health of the regional workforce and enrich the ranks of professionals in Northeast Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the Cleveland DFAS office is the world center for Navy payroll services and personnel data management as well as the Reserve Pay Center of Excellence, distributing \$101 billion and serving 2,745,000 military and civilian personnel, retirees and annuitants in FY 2003; and

WHEREAS, Cleveland's DFAS office is an integral part of the system that supports our armed forces, and is a cutting edge model of operational efficiency and customer service for U.S. military pay operations around the world; and

WHEREAS, the loss of these jobs could cost Greater Cleveland an estimated \$128 million, further eroding our regional and state tax base and endangering money for vital services, such as police and fire protection throughout Northeast Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Cleveland is one of the nation's preeminent financial service centers, home to the headquarters of several large commercial banks and the regional Federal Reserve, and perfectly situated to continue its track record of excellence here well into the future; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Defense (DOD) has recommended to the Base Closure and Realignment Commission that 1,028 jobs currently performed by the Cleveland DFAS in the Anthony J. Celebrezze Federal Building be relocated to other cities; and

WHEREAS, the recommendation is not a final decision; and

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Resolution No. 05-61 Urging Support of the DFAS in downtown Cleveland
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PASSED: June 20, 2005

/s/ T. Richard Martin
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

/s/ Joan T. Kemper
CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED: June 21, 2005

/s/ Deborah L. Sutherland
MAYOR

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CITY OF BEDFORD OHIO



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DANIEL S. POCEK
Mayor

June 20, 2005

To Lloyd W. Newton, General, USAF (Ret)
and the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure Commission

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Sincerely,

Mayor Daniel S. Pocek



City of Broadview Heights
GLENN R. GOODWIN, MAYOR

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June 20, 2005

Lloyd W. Newton, General
United States Air Force (Ret.)
and
The 2005 Base Realignment and Closure Commission

Dear Commission Members:

On behalf of the City of Broadview Heights, Ohio, I urge you to preserve the Cleveland office of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service as you consider the proposed list of closures and realignments submitted to you by the U.S. Department of Defense on May 13, 2005.

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Sincerely,

Glenn R. Goodwin, Mayor
City of Broadview Heights

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Village of Cuyahoga Heights

Office of Clerk



Village Hall

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June 21, 2005



To Lloyd W. Newton, General, USAF (Ret) and the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure Commission

On behalf of the Village of Cuyahoga Heights, Ohio, I urge you to preserve the Cleveland office of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service as you consider the proposed list of closures and realignments submitted to you by the U.S. Department of Defense on May 13, 2005.

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Sincerely,

Mayor Louis J. Bacci
Village of Cuyahoga Heights, Ohio



Correspondence

The City of East Cleveland

Saratha A. Goggins
Mayor

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To Lloyd W. Newton,
General, USAF (Ret)
2005 Base Realignment and Closure Commission

Dear Mr. Newton,

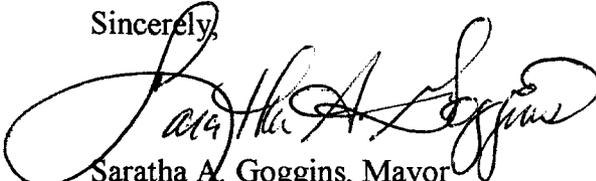
On behalf of the **City of East Cleveland, Ohio**, I urge you to preserve the Cleveland office of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service as you consider the proposed list of closures and realignments submitted to you by the U.S. Department of Defense on May 13, 2005.

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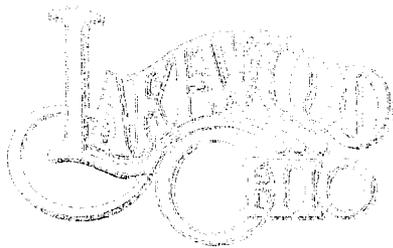

Saratha A. Goggins, Mayor
City of East Cleveland, Ohio

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THOMAS J. GEORGE
MAYOR

June 22, 2005

Dear Lloyd W. Newton, General, USAF (Ret) and the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure Commission,

On behalf of the City of Lakewood, Ohio, I urge you to preserve the Cleveland office of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service as you consider the proposed list of closures and realignments submitted to you by the U. S. Department of Defense on May 13, 2005.

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Sincerely,

Mayor Thomas J. George
City of Lakewood, Ohio





The City of Lorain, Ohio

Correspondence

Craig Foltin, Mayor

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June 14, 2005

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Frederick R. Nance
Chairman, Cleveland Defense Industry Alliance

Dear Mr. Nance:

I am writing to you to show support from the City of Lorain for the Defense Finance and Accounting Service to retain 1,028 important federal jobs in Cleveland, Ohio.

I understand that the DFAS is currently the fourth largest federal employer in Greater Cleveland, which employs approximately 1,200 people from across the region. I believe these jobs are vital to the health of Northeast Ohio, and significantly enrich the ranks of our professional workforce.

The loss of these jobs could cost Greater Cleveland's economy an estimated \$128 million, further eroding our regional and state tax base and endangering money for vital services, such as police and fire protection throughout Northeast Ohio.

Further, Cleveland is one of the nation's preeminent financial service centers, home to the headquarters of several large commercial banks and the regional Federal Reserve, and perfectly situated to continue its track record of excellence here well into the future.

In closing, I urge the Base Realignment and Closure Commission not to remove the Cleveland office of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service from the list of closures and realignments.

Sincerely,

Craig Foltin, Mayor
City of Lorain, Ohio

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MICHAEL G. CIARAVINO
MAYOR



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June 20, 2005

To Lloyd W. Newton, General, USAF (Ret) &
The 2005 Base Realignment and Closure Commission

On behalf of the City of Maple Heights, Ohio, I urge you to preserve the Cleveland office of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service as you consider the proposed list of closures and realignments submitted to you by the U.S. Department of Defense on May 13, 2005.

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Sincerely,

Mayor Michael G. Ciaravino
City of Maple Heights, Ohio

cc: Congresswoman Stephanie Tubbs Jones



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Correspondence

City of North Royalton**Mayor Cathy Luks**13834 Ridge Road
North Royalton, Ohio 44133-4896440-237-4300
fax: 440-582-6334

June 17, 2005

To: Lloyd W. Newton, General, USAF (Ret) and the 2005 Realignment and Closure Commission

On behalf of the City of North Royalton, Ohio, I urge you to preserve the Cleveland office of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service as you consider the proposed list of closures and realignments submitted to you by the U. S. Department of Defense on May 13, 2005.

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Sincerely,

Mayor Cathy Luks
City of North Royalton, Ohio

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CITY OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS

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Daniel J. Ursu
Mayor

June 17, 2005

To: Lloyd W. Newton, General, USAF, (Ret) and
2005 Base Realignment and Closure Commission

On behalf of the City of Richmond Heights, Ohio, I urge you to preserve the Cleveland office of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) as you consider the proposed list of closures and realignments submitted to you by the U. S. Department of Defense on May 13, 2005.

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Very truly yours,

Daniel J. Ursu, Mayor
City of Richmond Heights, Ohio

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Cc: Council Members

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City of Warrensville Heights

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Marcia L. Fudge
Mayor

June 20, 2005

Lloyd W. Newton
General, USAF (Ret)
2005 Base Realignment and Closure Commission

Dear General Newton:

On behalf of the City of Warrensville Heights, Ohio, I urge you to preserve the Cleveland office of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service as you consider the proposed list of closures and realignments submitted to you by the U.S. Department of Defense on May 13, 2005.

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TO: Lloyd W. Newton, General, USAF (Ret)
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Lawrence J. Simpson, Ph.D.
Campus President

City of Cleveland, Ohio

Campus President/College Vice President

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The Honorable Lloyd W. Newton
General
2005 Defense Base Closure Commission
2521 S. Clark Street, Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

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Joseph A. Marinucci
President & CEO of Downtown Cleveland Partnership
City of Cleveland, Ohio

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Lloyd W. Newton, General
USAF (Ret) and the
2005 Base Realignment and Closure Commission

Dear General Newton and BRAC Commission:

On behalf of Playhouse Square Center, the second largest performing arts center in the country and as a member of the Downtown Cleveland Partnership, I urge you to preserve the Cleveland office of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service as you consider the proposed list of closures and realignments submitted to you by the U.S. Department of Defense on May 13, 2005.

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Art J. Falco
President & CEO



June 23, 2005

General Lloyd Newton
Base Realignment and Closure Commission

Dear General Newton:

As you are aware, Northeast Ohio faces the potential devastating loss of 1,028 high wage jobs as a result of the U.S. Department of Defense's recommendation to realign the Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) in the 2005 Base Realignment Closure process. On behalf of the City of Cleveland, I urge you to preserve the Cleveland office of DFAS as you consider the proposed list of closures and realignments recommended to you by the U.S. Department of Defense on May 13, 2005.

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The 1,028 DFAS jobs at risk are vital to the economic health of Northeast Ohio and significantly enrich the ranks of our professional workforce. The loss of these jobs could cost Greater Cleveland's economy an estimated \$128 million, further eroding our regional and state tax base.

The DFAS operation in Cleveland is important, not only because it is a large professional workforce, but also because it is an integral part of the system that supports our armed forces in Iraq, Afghanistan and around the world. The Cleveland operation is the world center for Navy payroll services and personnel data management as well as the Reserve Pay Center of Excellence. The people who work here in Cleveland pioneered many of the best practices of the larger DFAS organization.

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It will also deal a crushing blow to the economy of Northeast Ohio. I urge you to preserve the Cleveland DFAS operation.

Sincerely,

Terry Stewart
President and CEO



**The Greater Cleveland
Regional Transit Authority**

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June 20, 2005

The Hon. Lloyd W. Newton, General, USAF (Ret)
2005 Base Realignment and Closure Commission
2521 S. Clark Street, Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear General Newton:

On behalf of the 180,000 Clevelanders who use public transit each weekday, I urge you to reconsider the proposed closure of the Cleveland office of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS), as part of the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure process.

Joseph A. Calabrese, CEO
General Manager/
Secretary-Treasurer

DFAS is the fourth largest federal employer in our region, and the devastating loss of 1,028 high-wage jobs would significantly impact Greater Cleveland and RTA. Many of those workers are our customers, and this loss of revenue could impact our ability to provide quality transportation for other customers. The loss would also erode our regional and state tax base, and endanger needed money for vital services, such as police and fire protection

But the impact of closure goes farther than the \$65 million annual payroll or the \$128 million loss to our local economy. Cleveland DFAS serves our armed forces around the world, and is a center for Navy payroll services and personnel data management.

In FY 2003, Cleveland DFAS distributed more than \$101 billion to more than 2.7 million military and related personnel. It does not make sense to relocate this office during a time of war.

Sincerely,

Joseph Calabrese, CEO
General Manager
Secretary-Treasurer

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URGING THE UNITED STATES BASE CLOSURE AND REALIGNMENT COMMISSION TO RETAIN 1,028 IMPORTANT FEDERAL DEFENSE JOBS AT THE DEFENSE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICE IN DOWNTOWN CLEVELAND AND SUPPORTING AND ENCOURAGING THE CLEVELAND DEFENSE INDUSTRY ALLIANCE AND THE GREATER CLEVELAND PARTNERSHIP IN THEIR ADVOCACY EFFORTS TO PROTECT THE REGION'S ECONOMIC VITALITY BY APPEALING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO REALIGN THESE JOBS TO OTHER CITIES AND ENCOURAGING THEIR RETENTION; AND FURTHER COMMITTING COUNCIL'S SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE IN THIS UNDERTAKING

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Brooklyn City Council have as one of their primary responsibilities improving the health and welfare of its citizens, which includes ensuring the availability of a diverse selection of employment opportunities in the Greater Cleveland area; and

WHEREAS, the Defense Finance & Accounting Service (DFAS) in downtown Cleveland is currently the fourth largest federal employer in Greater Cleveland, with a \$65 million payroll; and

WHEREAS, DFAS employs some 1,200 people from throughout the region, and provides jobs that are vital to the health of the regional workforce and enrich the ranks of professionals in Northeast Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the Cleveland DFAS office is the world center for Navy payroll services and personnel data management as well as the Reserve Pay Center of Excellence, distributing \$101 billion and serving 2,745,000 military and civilian personnel, retirees and annuitants in FY 2003; and

WHEREAS, Cleveland's DFAS office is an integral part of the system that supports our armed forces, and is a cutting edge model of operational efficiency and customer service for U.S. military pay operations around the world; and

WHEREAS, the loss of these jobs could cost Greater Cleveland an estimated \$128 million, further eroding our regional and state tax base and endangering money for vital services, such as police and fire protection throughout Northeast Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Cleveland is one of the nation's preeminent financial service centers, home to the headquarters of several large commercial banks and the regional Federal Reserve, and perfectly situated to continue its track record of excellence here well into the future; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Defense (DOD) has recommended to the Base Closure and Realignment Commission that 1,028 jobs currently performed by the Cleveland DFAS in the Anthony J. Celebrezze Federal Building be relocated to other cities; and

WHEREAS, the recommendation is not a final decision; and

WHEREAS, the Cleveland Defense Industry Alliance has announced its intentions to work with community partners to fight and reverse DOD's proposal before the Base Realignment and Closure Commission forwards its recommendations to President Bush in September 2005.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BROOKLYN, COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA AND STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor and City Council hereby urge the Base Realignment and Closure Commission to remove the Cleveland office of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service from the list of closures and realignments proposed on May 13, 2005, and retain the 1,028 important federal defense jobs here in Cleveland.

SECTION 2. That the Mayor and this City Council encourages the Cleveland Defense Industry Alliance and the Greater Cleveland Partnership in their advocacy efforts to preserve the region's economic vitality by working to reverse the U.S. Department of Defense's recommendation to realign these professional jobs to other cities.

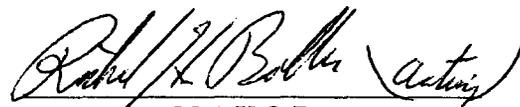
SECTION 3. That the Clerk is hereby directed to transmit copies of this Resolution to President George W. Bush, Congressional Representatives Stephanie Tubbs Jones, Dennis Kucinich, Sherrod Brown and Steven LaTourette, and Senators Mike DeWine and George Voinovich; the appropriate representatives from the Base Realignment and Closure Commission, and the members of the Cleveland Defense Industry Alliance.

SECTION 4. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure dealing with the daily operation of the city; and provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of all members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

ADOPTED: 6/13/05

ATTESTED:


Clerk of Council


MAYOR

Filed with the Mayor: 6/14/05

RESOLUTION RECORD

COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BROOKLYN HEIGHTS

Resolution No. 14-2005By ALL of COUNCIL

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AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES BASE CLOSURE AND REALIGNMENT COMMISSION TO RETAIN 1,028 IMPORTANT FEDERAL DEFENSE JOBS AT THE DEFENSE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICE IN DOWNTOWN CLEVELAND AND SUPPORTING AND ENCOURAGING THE CLEVELAND DEFENSE INDUSTRY ALLIANCE AND THE GREATER CLEVELAND PARTNERSHIP IN THEIR ADVOCACY EFFORTS TO PROTECT THE REGION'S ECONOMIC VITALITY BY APPEALING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO REALIGN THESE JOBS TO OTHER CITIES AND ENCOURAGING THEIR RETENTION;

AND FURTHER COMMITTING COUNCIL'S SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE IN THIS UNDERTAKING

WHEREAS, the Council of the Village of Brooklyn Heights has as one of its primary responsibilities improving the health and welfare of its citizens, which includes ensuring the availability of a diverse selection of employment opportunities in the Greater Cleveland area; and

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Resolution No. _____

By _____

WHEREAS, the Cleveland Defense Industry Alliance has announced its intentions to work with community partners to fight and reverse DOD's proposal before the Base Realignment and Closure Commission forwards its recommendations to President Bush I September, 1005; and

WHEREAS, this resolution constitutes an emergency measure for the immediate preservation of public peace, property, health or safety.

THE VILLAGE OF BROOKLYN HEIGHTS ORDAINS THAT:

Section 1. That this Council hereby urges the Base Realignment and Closure Commission to remove the Cleveland office of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service from the list of closures and realignments proposed on May 13, 2005, and retain the 1,028 important federal defense jobs here in Cleveland.

Section 2. That this Council encourages the Cleveland Defense Industry Alliance and the Greater Cleveland Partnership in their advocacy efforts to preserve the region's economic vitality by working to reverse the U.S. Department of Defense's recommendation to realign these professional jobs to other cities.

Section 3. That the Clerk/Treasurer is hereby directed to transmit copies of this resolution to President George W. Bush, Congressional Representatives Stephanie Tubbs Jones, Dennis Kucinich, Sherrod Brown and Steven LaTourette, and Senators Mike DeWine and George Voinovich; the appropriate representatives from the Base Realignment and Closure Commission, and the members of the Cleveland Defense Industry Alliance.

Section 4. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council; and that all deliberations of the Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 5. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the Village of Brooklyn Heights, and this Resolution shall become effective upon receiving the affirmative vote of five (5) members of Council and approval of the Mayor and/or Clerk/Treasurer otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: JUNE 21 2005

ATTEST: [Signature]
James J. Vavrek,
Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED: [Signature]
Michael Procuk,
Mayor