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Chairman Anthony Principi
BRAC Commission
2521 S. Clark St. – Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Re: K.I. Sawyer Naval Reserve Facility
Marquette County, Gwinn, Michigan 49841

Dear Chairman Principi:

This letter is being written to your Commission on behalf of the 160 members of our Gwinn – Sawyer Area Chamber of Commerce. Details on our 100% Volunteer Organization can be seen on our website www.gwinnmi.com.

They say lighting does not strike twice in the same place but the news of the possible closure of the K.I. Sawyer Naval Reserve Facility on the 10th anniversary of the closure of K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base disputes that myth.

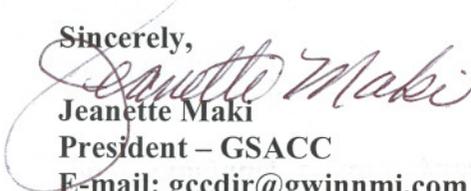
Forsyth Township in Marquette County is a rural area which appreciates each and every job position that is here at the Naval Reserve Facility under the command of Lt. Commander Lolita Layne.

Our business and residential communities have a great working relationship with Lt. Commander Layne and her men and women. They are now and have been very active in helping us complete projects and tasks with their cooperation and expertise.

We are asking your commission to re-consider this Naval Reserve Facility closure as this office may be a blip on your line item budget cut forms, but to us it is a important integral slice of our community which we believe is worth our efforts to save it from closure.

We appreciate your utmost consideration in regard to the aforementioned thoughts.

Sincerely,


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