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Also, how will the Department defend the region? Will the Guard respond to man-made or natural disasters when they occur after these massive cuts?

I urge the Commission in the strongest possible terms to remove Niagara Falls AFB from the Pentagon's recommended list of base closures and to stop the continuing retreat of the military from our region of the country.

Sincerely,

Dorothy Shields  
(A Concerned Citizen)

Dorothy Shields  
34 ALABAMA ST #2  
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125 Wuman St.  
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*Lyle Whitford*  
*Theresa Whitford*

May 17, 2005

BRAC Commission  
Washington, D.C.

To Whom It May Concern:

The Department of Defense has recommended to the BRAC Commission that the Niagara Falls Air Reserve Station be closed. This comes as a very big disappointment to the western New York Community. As Niagara County's second largest employer with nearly 3,000 workers, this would deliver another devastating blow to our region's already declining economy.

The base site lies within close proximity to four major border crossings between the U.S. and Canada, along with the New York State Power Authority's Hydropower complex, which harnesses the waters of the Niagara River and supplies substantial power to the Northeast United States Grid.

While the base serves as a logistical backbone for the war on terror, it is also strategically placed and fully expandable to allow the addition of a fighter squadron to further secure America's northern border and power grid infrastructure. It should be EXPANDED rather than closed.

According to the Niagara Military Affairs Council:

\*Closure of the Niagara base would reduce the Air Force presence in NY by 40%, and eliminate the LAST Federal Air Force flying mission in the state. Since 1995, the Niagara base has been modernized with \$35M in new facilities and lengthened runways, which have improved the operational effectiveness of the wings.

\*The Niagara base has reduced its Base Operations Support costs by not less than 33% (to include a 25% reduction in utilities) to make the base one of the MOST COST EFFICIENT FACILITIES IN THE Air Force Reserve Command.

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I request that you STRONGLY RECONSIDER the decision to close this base. The fine men and women in the 107<sup>th</sup> Air Refueling Wing and the 914<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing have been and continue to be instrumental in securing the home front and fighting the war on terror overseas.

Thank you for your consideration regarding this very important matter.

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*Tawissa S Woolley*  
*2823 1 main St.*  
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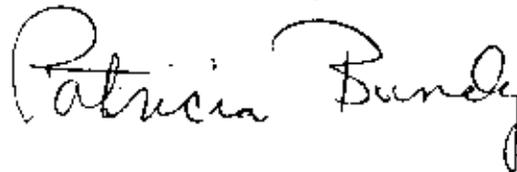
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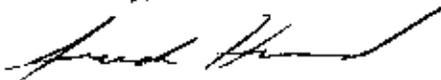
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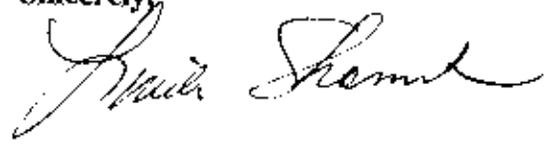
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*John Broderick*

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*N. Tonawanda NY 14120*

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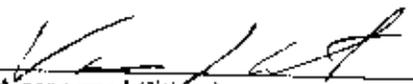
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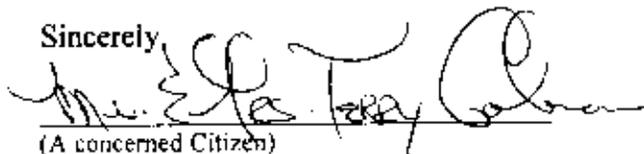
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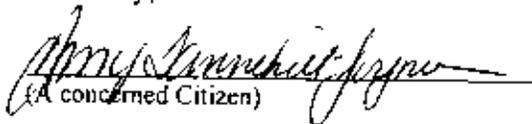
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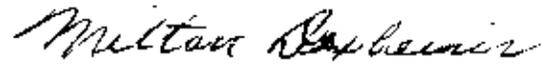
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Milton Dexheimer

6/7/05

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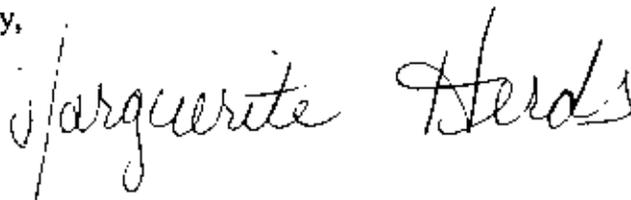
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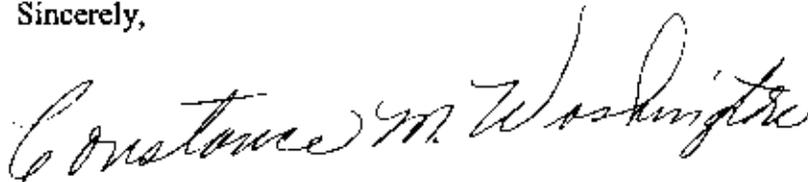
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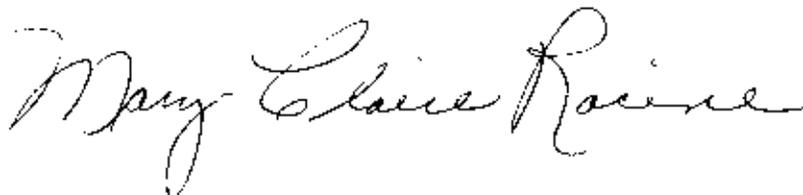
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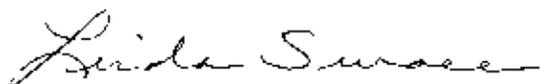
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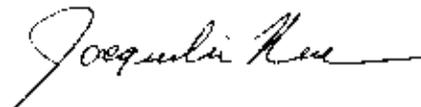
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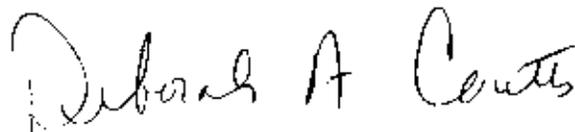
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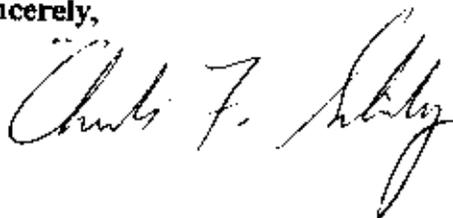
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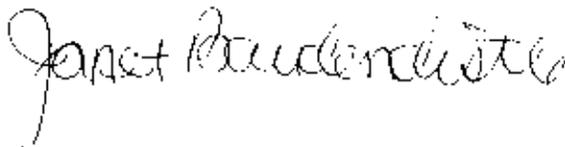
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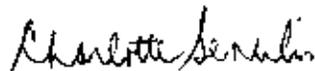
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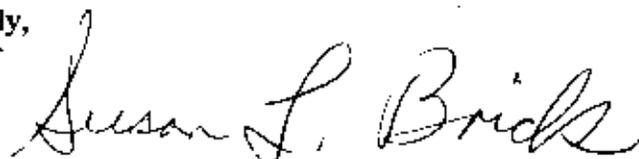
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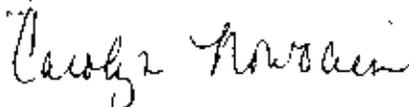
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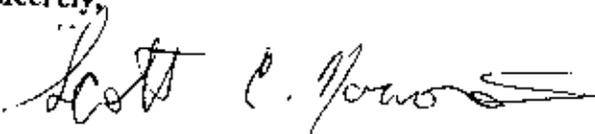
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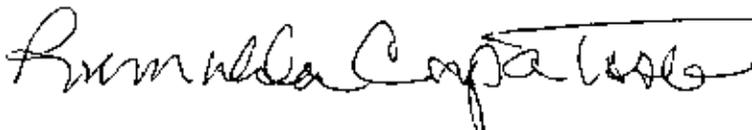
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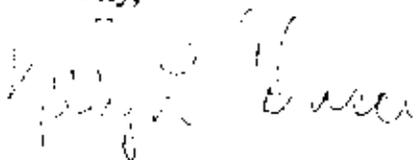
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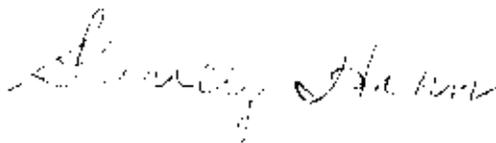
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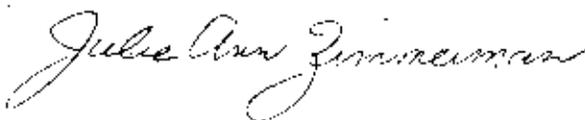
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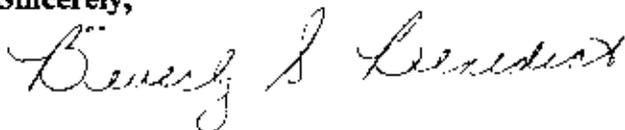
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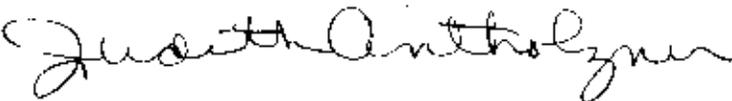
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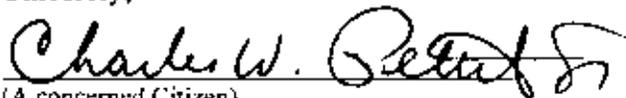
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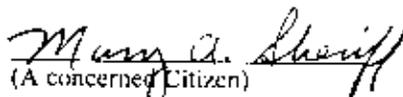
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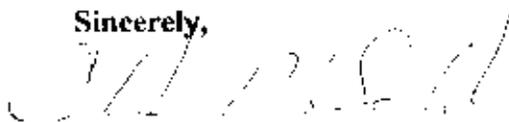
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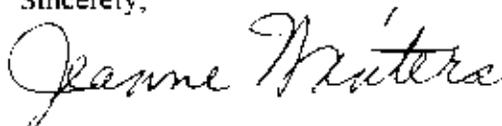
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Nancy Smegelsky  
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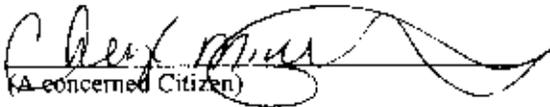
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3. The Niagara Falls area has always been considered a prime target for any enemies of the United States because our area encompasses the power station and is in close proximity to Canada.

Please leave matters as they are. Thank you.

Peace and Prosperity,

  
Martha C. Marvin  
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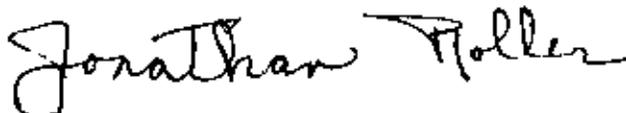
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Jonathan Roller  
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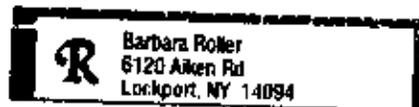
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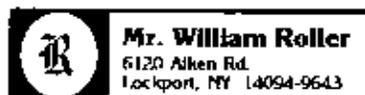
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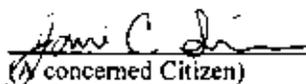
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2080 River Rd #127

Niagara Falls, N.Y. 14304

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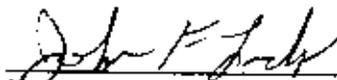
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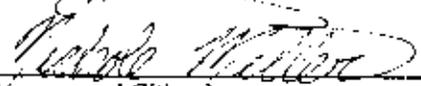
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Joseph J. [Signature]  
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NF NY 14303

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NIAGARA FALLS NY 14130-01

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Nia. Falls, N.Y. 14304

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1491 Fletcher Rd

Orangetown NY 14174

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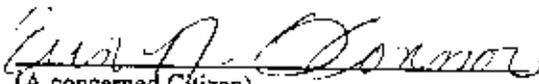
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175 Rogers Ave.  
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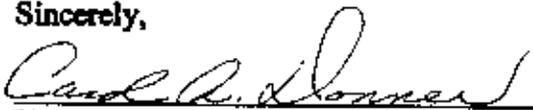
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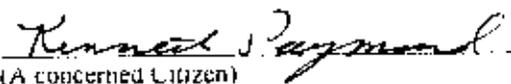
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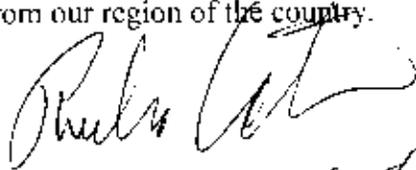
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Richard Caton

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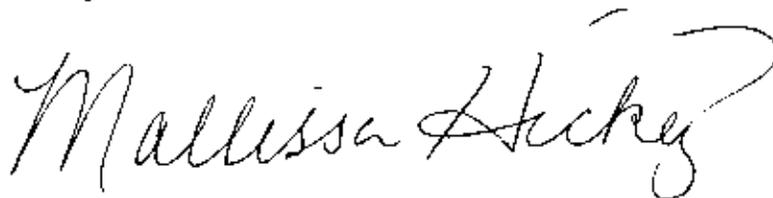
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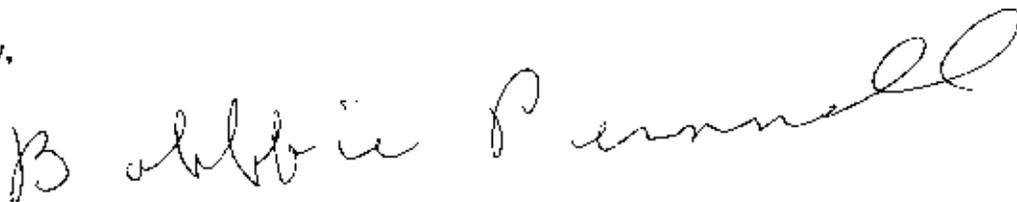
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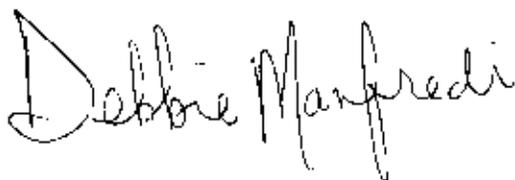
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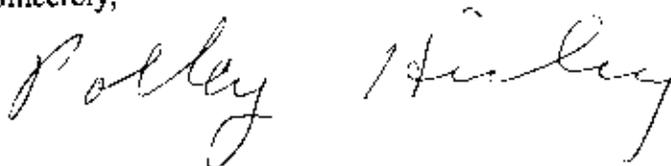
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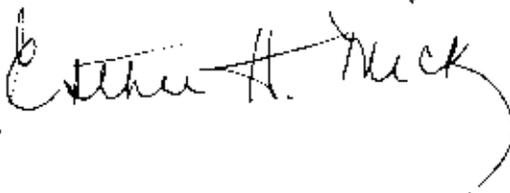
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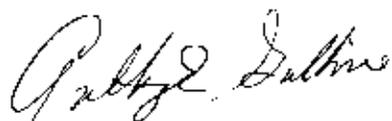
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Sincerely,

Mark E. Brown  
Regional Director of Sales & Marketing, Buffalo Lodging Associates  
P: (866) 793-7674  
F: (716) 681-6172  
mbrown@buffalolodging.com

Scott Parker  
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Add your Name and address

May 2005 6/20/2005

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Washington DC.  
c/o NIMAC  
P.O. Box 231  
Niagara Falls, NY 14304-0231

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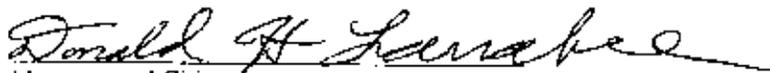
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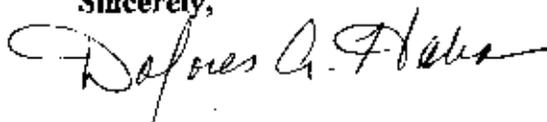
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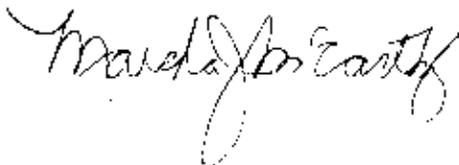
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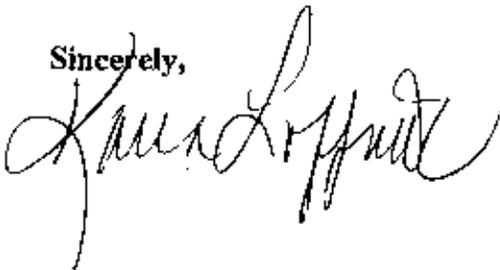
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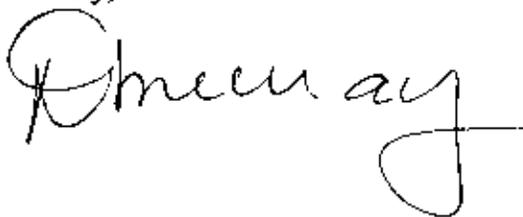
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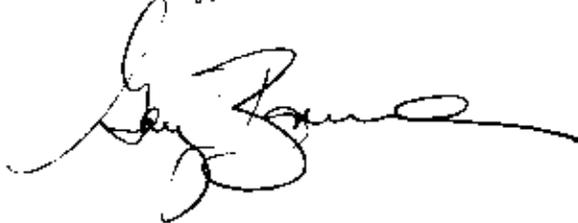
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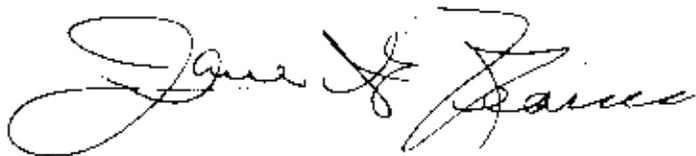
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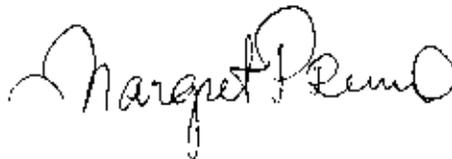
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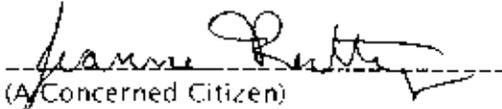
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All New Yorkers stand with the Niagara Falls/Western New York community and are united in its support for this base, and its retention. Overturn the Pentagon's recommendation and keep the base open.

Sincerely,

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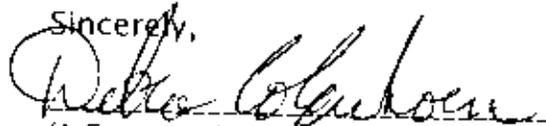
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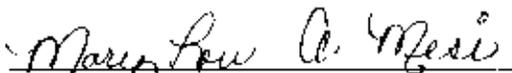
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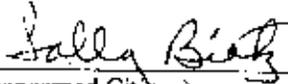
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(address)

*Niagara Falls, N.Y. 14305*  
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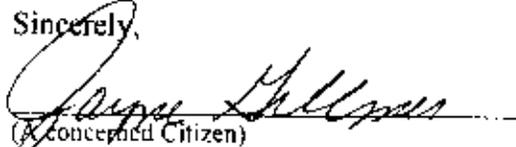
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1245 Sherwood Ave.  
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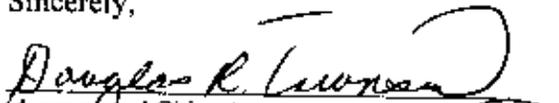
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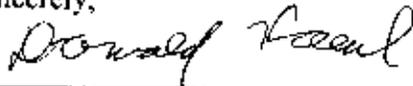
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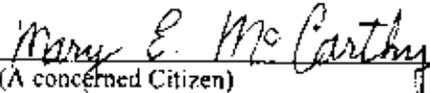
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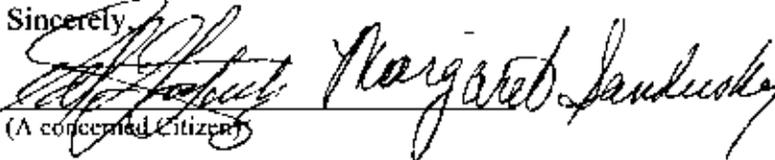
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Niagara Falls, N.Y.

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*Alister J. Vashburgh*  
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477 38<sup>th</sup> Street

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<< Lawrence P. Mazur >>

submit: Send Letter

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**From:** (Lawrence P. Mazur)  
**Date:** 06/07/05 07:42:11  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

**BRAC Commission**  
**Resolution**  
6/20/2005

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Lawrence P. Mazur () on Tuesday, June 7, 2005 at 07:42:10

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address1: 44 Country Place

city: Lancaster

state: NY

zip: 14086

comments:

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Peter T Di Rado

submit: Send Letter

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**Date:** 06/07/05 07:32:36  
**To:** info@mmac.org  
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434. 70<sup>th</sup>

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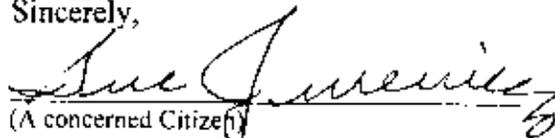
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*7901 Packard Rd.*

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**From:** (James Guiffrida)**Date:** 06/07/05 07:14:51**To:** info@nimac.org**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by James Guiffrida () on Tuesday, June 7, 2005 at 07:14:49

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city: Newfane

state: NY

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2088 River Rd Lot 179  
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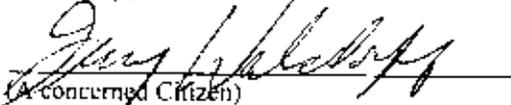
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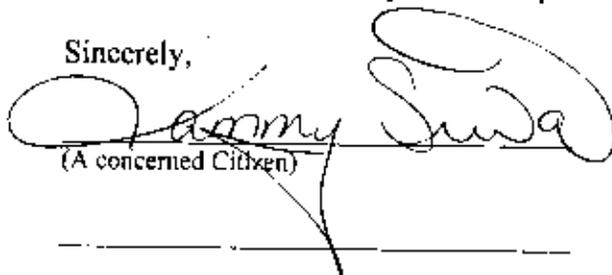
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**From:** (Donna Bonehill)  
**Date:** 06/07/05 07:55:16  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Donna Bonehill () on Tuesday, June 7, 2005 at 07:55:14

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address1: 98 Hillside Drive

city: Avon

state: NY

zip: 14414

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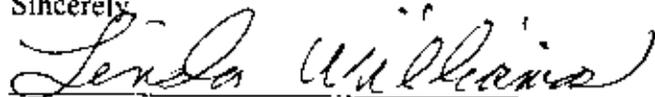
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*Jacqueline Christian*  
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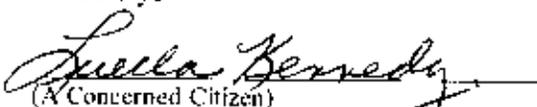
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Malcolm Wood  
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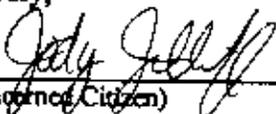
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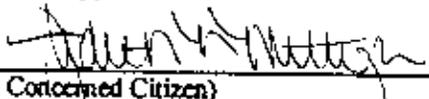
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W. SENECA, N.Y. 14224

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Evelyn P. Winzig  
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250 Lakewood Pkwy  
Snyder NY 14226

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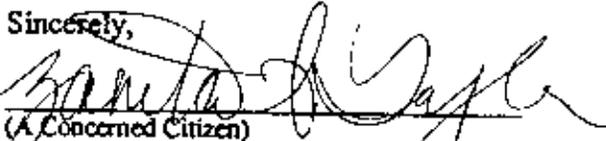
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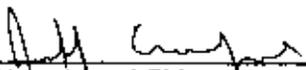
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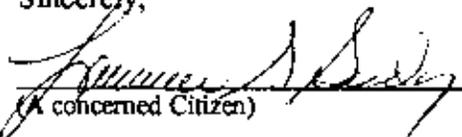
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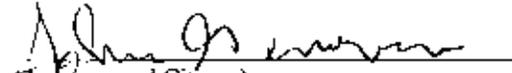
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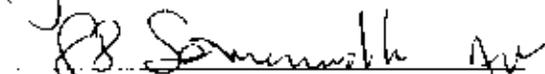
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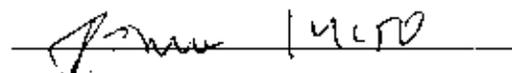
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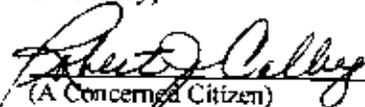
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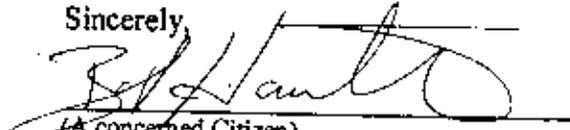
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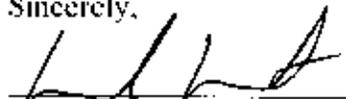
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*31 Melody Lane*  
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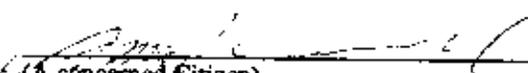
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*Buffalo, N.Y.*  
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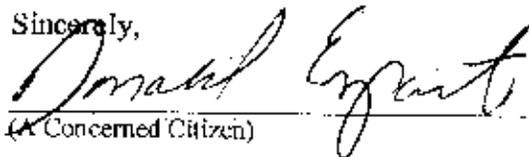
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350 Roesch Ave.  
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Regina Purvis  
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288 School Rd  
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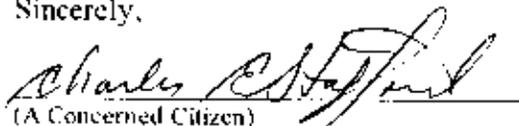
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(A concerned Citizen)

Ralph Nicholas  
832 Arrowwood pl  
Niagara Falls NY 14304

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Sinda McLeod  
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Niagara Falls NY

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Sincerely,

Georgia Wymyszak  
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700 Park Ave

Medina NY, 14103

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Sincerely,

Kelli Lonneville

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**BRAC Commission**  
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**From:** (Kelli Lonneville)  
**Date:** 06/06/05 08:42:29  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Kelli Lonneville () on Monday, June 6, 2005 at 08:42:28

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address1: 1033 99th Street

city: Niagara Falls

state: NY

zip: 14304

comments:

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rates, and a 15000sq mile MOA Low Altitude Training and Navigation Area that is only 30nm from NFARS.

How will the Department defend the region, or more likely in the current environment, how will the Guard respond to man-made or natural disasters, not if, but when they occur? Given the continued inability of the Services to make their quotas, Reserve personnel are needed now more than ever. The more easily accessible bases throughout the country, the more likely the Reserves will not only be able to retain, but to attract, the personnel needed to defend the nation against all threats. After reviewing the entire proposed BRAC list, have realized that further efforts are required to reach some sort of compromise to maintain force strength and presence. A couple of possibilities are to keep many of the bases at either reduced manning levels or reduced size via some sort of agreement where a base sells off or leases "excess" portions to either the locales or private organizations, but retains enough of the base to be activated when necessary.

Hereby urge the Commission, in the strongest possible terms, to remove Niagara Falls Air Reserve Station from the BRAC list, make comprehensive reviews of the other locations remaining on the list with an inclination toward alternatives to outright closure, and stop the continuing retreat of the military from the North East and other regions of the country.

Sincerely,

Nicholas G. Enser

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**From:** (Nicholas G. Enser)  
**Date:** 06/06/05 00:46:40  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

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comments:

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Dear Chairman Principi and fellow BRAC Commissioners:

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It is hard to understand why the Air Force has decided to take planes, missions, and jobs away from so many Air Guard and Air Reserve bases and put them on more costly Active Duty bases. The same goes for the other Services and some of their suggestions. When thinking of NFARS in particular, of all the bases to pick to close, why close a base whose units are obviously dedicated and motivated, including one of the units that helped to rescue Jessica Lynch in Iraq because they are the lead night vision C-130 unit in the Reserves? What of the large amount of money spent within the past few years to modernize so much of the base's infrastructure, et cetera? What affect would the closure have upon the numerous other Agencies and organizations such as the Department of Homeland Security, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Drug Enforcement Administration, Canadian-American Law Enforcement Organizations (CALEO), and Border Patrol that currently utilize NFARS space? While encroachment is a real issue at other locations, NFARS remains relatively isolated with additional acreage available for expansion, supportive communities nearby, comparatively cheap cost of living

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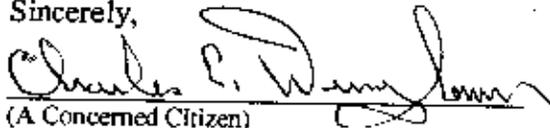
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Frank A. Sauer  
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*Darius Drotle*

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780 Onida St

Leicester NY

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*Michael L. Latham*  
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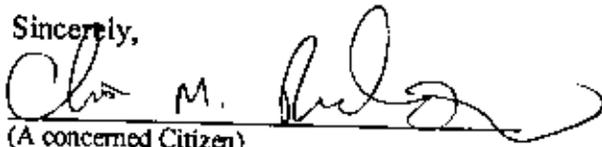
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(A concerned Citizen)

Chris M. Rudow

857 Delaware Ave Apt 5

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Shawn M. Kirby

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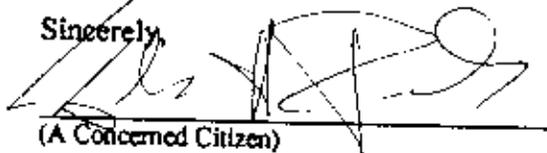
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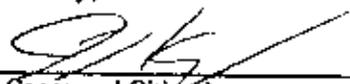
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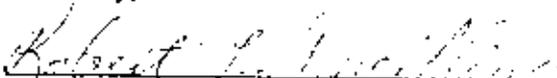
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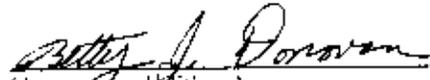
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June 6, 2005

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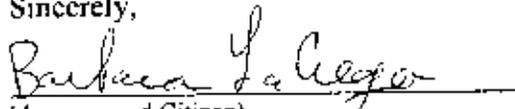
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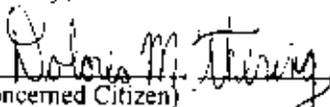
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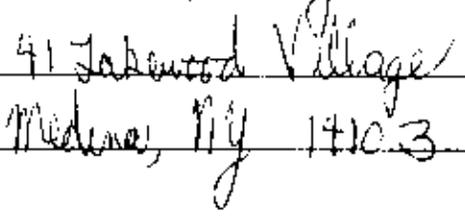
Also, even the newspapers say that we are facing significant challenges in recruiting during war time. As the only remaining major military installation in Western New York, Niagara Falls has been key to military recruitment.

The impact of this decision will be devastating to the New York Air National Guard and will make the Pentagon's efforts to recruit and retain military personnel even more difficult than it is now.

All New Yorkers stand with the Niagara Falls/Western New York community and are united in its support for this base, and its retention. Overturn the Pentagon's recommendation and keep the base open.

Sincerely,

  
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(A concerned Citizen)

  
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