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Carol N. Farkas
(A concerned Citizen)

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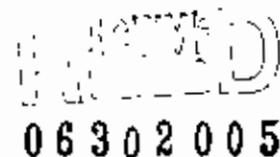
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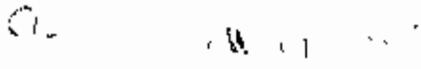
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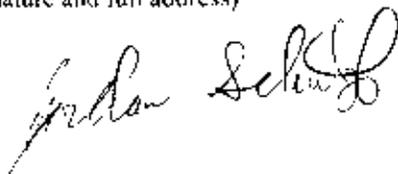
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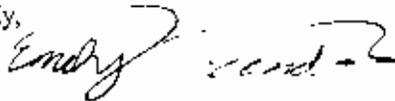
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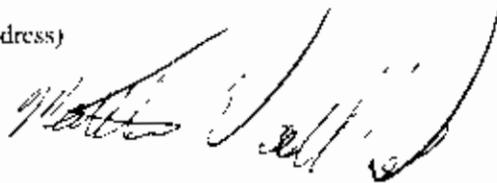
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Lockport, NY 14094

I am deeply concerned about the homeland security in this area. We are a border community with several bridges to Canada and lots of wide open water. We also have two power plants and the famous Niagara Falls that could be prime targets for terrorists. I feel this base must be kept open as troop readiness is greatly needed here.