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

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- The federal government has invested more than \$35 million in Niagara Falls since 1995 in new facilities.
- Base Operations Support costs have been reduced more 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.
- Closure of the base eliminates the ability to recruit and retain New Yorkers in a region in which the units have both maintained in excess of 100% manning rates.
- Niagara Falls existing infrastructure can accommodate eight (8) additional C-130H model aircraft without any military construction.
- Niagara Falls faces no physical encroachment nor air traffic control constraints and has acreage on the base and adjacent to the installation for expansion.

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,

*William J. Grimm*

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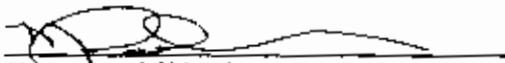
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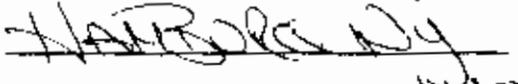
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(A concerned Citizen)

  
  
  
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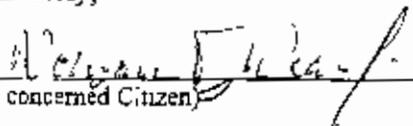
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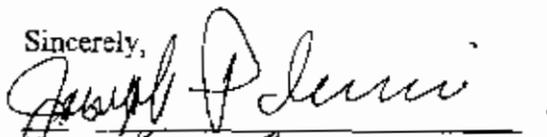
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Sincerely,

Brandon Smith  
(A concerned Citizen)

4765 Tuscarora Rd.

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because I won't feel safe  
living here!

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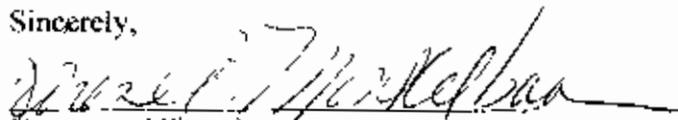
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*Margaret J. Schoenrock*  
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42 Ambrose Ct.  
Amherst, NY 14228

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2726 MAIN ST  
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Jana Rich  
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Renée A. Jarrant  
(A Concerned Citizen)

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Todd Cloutier  
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263 B3 Scamdye Ln  
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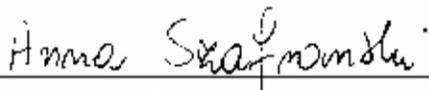
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Sincerely,

  
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(A concerned Citizen)

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(Address)

NIAGARA FALLS, NY 14304

(City, State, Zip)

June, 2005

BRAC Commission  
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Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
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haverhill Ny 14086

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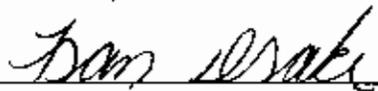
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(Address)

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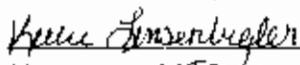
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(A concerned citizen)

1588 Meadows Drive  
(Address)

Widen NY 14004  
(City, State, Zip)

**From:** (Tony J. Failla)  
**Date:** 06/29/05 12:48:15  
**To:** info@nimac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

**BRAC Commission**  
**Received**  
07/06/2005

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
Tony J. Failla () on Wednesday, June 29, 2005 at 12:48:13

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address1: 192 Norwalk Ave

city: Buffalo

state: NY

zip: 14216

comments:

Chairman Anthony J. Principi  
Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
2521 South Clark Street  
Suite 600  
Arlington, VA 22202

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Sincerely,

6/30/2005

<< Tony J. Failla, Buffalo, NY >>

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**From:** (Patricia Halicki)  
**Date:** 06/29/05 15:48:13  
**To:** info@mmmc.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Patricia Halicki () on Wednesday, June 29, 2005 at 15:48:10

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address1: 97 Molnar Dr.

city: West Seneca

state: NY

zip: 14224

comments:

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Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
2521 South Clark Street  
Suite 600  
Arlington, VA 22202

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Patricia Halicki

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**Date:** 06/29/05 18:13:13  
**To:** info@nimaac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Barbara Brown () on Wednesday, June 29, 2005 at 18:13:09

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address1: 440 - 24th St

city: Niagara Falls

state: NY

zip: 14303

comments:

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2521 South Clark Street  
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Arlington, VA 22202

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Sincerely,

<< Barbara Brown >>

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**From:** (Daniel J. Lohr)  
**Date:** 06/25/05 09:54:47  
**To:** info@mmac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Daniel J. Lohr () on Saturday, June 25, 2005 at 09:54:44

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address1: 9628 Lake Shore Rd

city: Angola

state: NY

zip: 14006-9192

comments:

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Sincerely,

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Daniel J. Lohr

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**From:** (Peter R Calendo)  
**Date:** 06/26/05 14:59:47  
**To:** info@mmac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Peter R Calendo () on Sunday, June 26, 2005 at 14:59:45

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address1: 968 Hertel Ave Suite #2

city: Buffalo

state: NY

zip: 14216-2615

comments:

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Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
2521 South Clark Street  
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Arlington, VA 22202

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**From:** (Joseph A. Morganti)  
**Date:** 06/26/05 21:11:51  
**To:** mlus@nmaac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

BRAC Commission  
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07/06/2005

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Joseph A. Morganti () on Sunday, June 26, 2005 at 21:11:48

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address1: 17 Woodcreek Lane

city: Grand Island

state: New York

zip: 14072

comments:

Chairman Anthony J. Principi  
Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
2521 South Clark Street  
Suite 600  
Arlington, VA 22202

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Joseph Morganti

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**From:** (Norman J. Pollard, Ed.D.)  
**Date:** 06/26/05 22:06:24  
**To:** info@mmac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Norman J. Pollard, Ed.D. () on Sunday, June 26, 2005 at 22:06:21

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address1: 733 Route 244

city: Alfred Station

state: NY

zip: 14803

comments:

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Suite 600  
Arlington, VA 22202

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**From:** (Chelsea M. Lohr)  
**Date:** 06/25/05 09:54:02  
**To:** info@mmac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Chelsea M. Lohr () on Saturday, June 25, 2005 at 09:53:59

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address1: 9628 Lake Shore RD

city: Angola

state: NY

zip: 14006-9192

comments:

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Chelsea M. Lohr

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**From:** (Barbara L. Lohr)  
**Date:** 06/25/05 09:55:29  
**To:** info@nmmac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

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Barbara L. Lohr

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**From:** (Julie Lohr)  
**Date:** 06/25/05 09:52:29  
**To:** info@rmmac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Julie Lohr () on Saturday, June 25, 2005 at 09:52:26

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city: Angola

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zip: 14006-9192

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Sincerely,

Julie A. Lohr

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**From:** (Jennalee Gaiser)  
**Date:** 06/27/05 00:18:23  
**To:** info@nmaac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Jennalee Gaiser () on Monday, June 27, 2005 at 00:18:20

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address1: 3033 Larry Ct

city: North Tonawanda

state: New York

zip: 14120

comments:

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Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
2521 South Clark Street  
Suite 600  
Arlington, VA 22202

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Sincerely,

Jennalee Gaiscr

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**From:** (Joseph George)  
**Date:** 06/27/05 06:30:35  
**To:** info@nimaac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

BRAC Commission  
Received  
07/06/2005

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Joseph George () on Monday, June 27, 2005 at 06:30:32

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address1: 9127 Griffon Ave

city: Niagara Falls

state: New York

zip: 14304

comments:

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Joseph George

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**From:** (Gabrielle R. Lohr)  
**Date:** 06/25/05 09:56:20  
**To:** info@nmmac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

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city: Angola

state: NY

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**From:** (Nicholas D. Guercio)  
**Date:** 06/29/05 16:01:19  
**To:** info@mmac.org  
**Subject:** Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Nicholas D. Guercio () on Wednesday, June 29, 2005 at 16:01:12

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address1: 40 Brookedge Dr

city: Williamsville

state: NY

zip: 14221

comments:

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Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
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June, 2005

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Sincerely,

*Juanita Johnson*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(A Concerned Citizen)

*5832 Sandalwood*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(address)

*Lockport NY 14094*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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M. Anne Johnston

(A Concerned Citizen)

852 Sweet Lane

(address)

Lockport N.Y. 14094

(City, State, Zip)

**BRAC Commission**  
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Sincerely, *Edward F. Bukowski*

LTC & Mrs. EDWARD F. BUKOWSKI, USA (Ret)  
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(A Concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,

Paul Granta  
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Diana Piccolomini  
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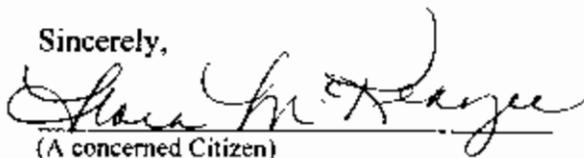
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- Closure of the base eliminates the ability to recruit and retain New Yorkers in a region in which the units have both maintained in excess of 100% manning rates.
- Niagara Falls existing infrastructure can accommodate eight (8) additional C-130H model aircraft without any military construction.
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Sincerely,

*Chris Ross*

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Sincerely,

Dawn Brozka  
(A concerned Citizen)

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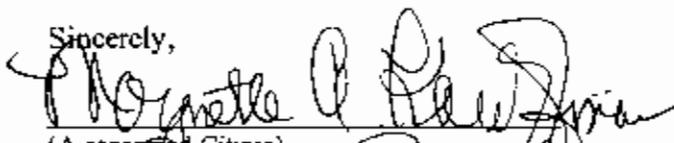
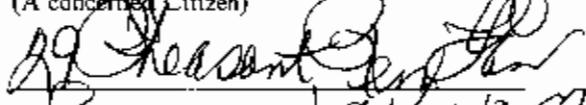
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The impact of this decision will be devastating to the New York Air National Guard and will make the Pentagon's efforts to recruit and retain military personnel even more difficult than it is now.

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,

  
(A concerned Citizen)  
  
Lancaster, NY 14226  
684-3193

**BRAC Commission**  
**Received**  
07/06/2005

6/26/05

Chairman Anthony J. Principi  
Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
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Arlington, VA 22202

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Sincerely,

Alison Mangione

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6/24/05

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W. J. Baroznyk  
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Sincerely,

MIKE CHATELLE

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Sincerely,

GUY MANCUSO  
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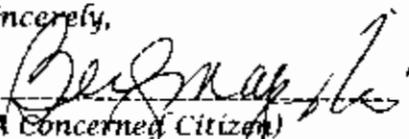
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Sincerely,

  
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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

*Kelly M. Mahan*

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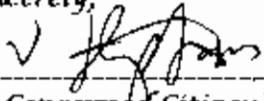
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Sincerely,

*Robert A. Hermann*  
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(A Concerned Citizen)

*1556 Towerwood Rd*  
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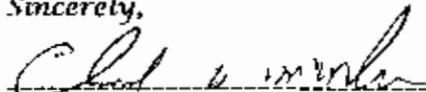
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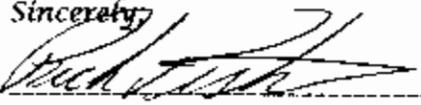
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Sincerely,

*Amy Patra*  
(A Concerned Citizen)

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*Quinnipiac NY 14228*  
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*William Kelly*  
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(A Concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,

Mary Charles  
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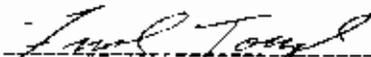
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Chairman Anthony J. Principi  
Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
2521 South Clark Street  
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Sincerely,

Tang Hubbard

(A Concerned Citizen)

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6/23/05

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Sincerely,

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Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commissioners:

I am so concerned by the Defense Department's recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Force Reserve and Guard base. This recommendation is not in the nation's best interest and the BRAC Commission should reverse this decision and remove them from the closure list.

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 the more costly Active Duty bases.

Please note that the media are conveying to us 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. Please, overturn the Pentagon's recommendation and keep the base open.

Sincerely,

Bryan Moore  
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June, 2005

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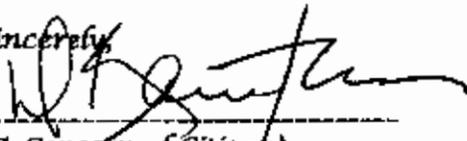
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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

*Christina L. Beruoghan*  
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Sincerely,

James Anthony  
(A Concerned Citizen)

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June, 2005

Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
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Sincerely,

Karen Ditzinger  
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Sincerely,

Christa Shogan  
(A Concerned Citizen)

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BRAC Commission  
Received  
07/06/2005

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

Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commissioners:

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Sincerely,

*Darrell Hauge*

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Sincerely,

*Marcus Hain*  
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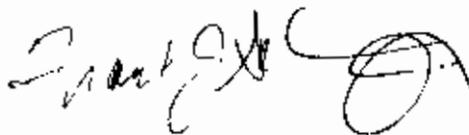
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Sincerely,

*Maxine Schless*

(A Concerned Citizen)

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6/17/05

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Sincerely,

Andrew C. Larkston  
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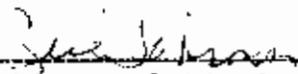
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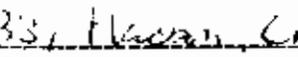
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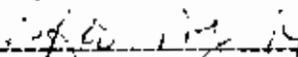
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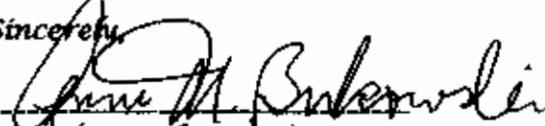
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Sincerely,  
  
(A Concerned Citizen)  
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Hamburg, NY 14075  
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Sincerely,

Amende Anderson

(A Concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,  
  
(A Concerned Citizen)

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Derby NY 14047  
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**BRAC Commission**  
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(A Concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,

*Francis R. Rodzick*  
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(A Concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,

David Loma  
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George Lanna  
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RENEE LAMA  
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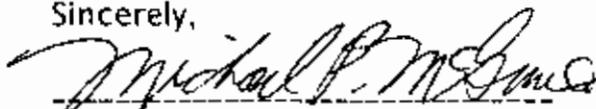
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Kenmore NY 14217

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Dana Miller  
(A Concerned Citizen)

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Amherst NY 14206  
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*Janet M Miller*  
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(A Concerned Citizen)

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Kenneth R. Miller  
(A Concerned Citizen)

486 MAYNARD DR  
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*John Carr*  
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*Jane Bukowski*

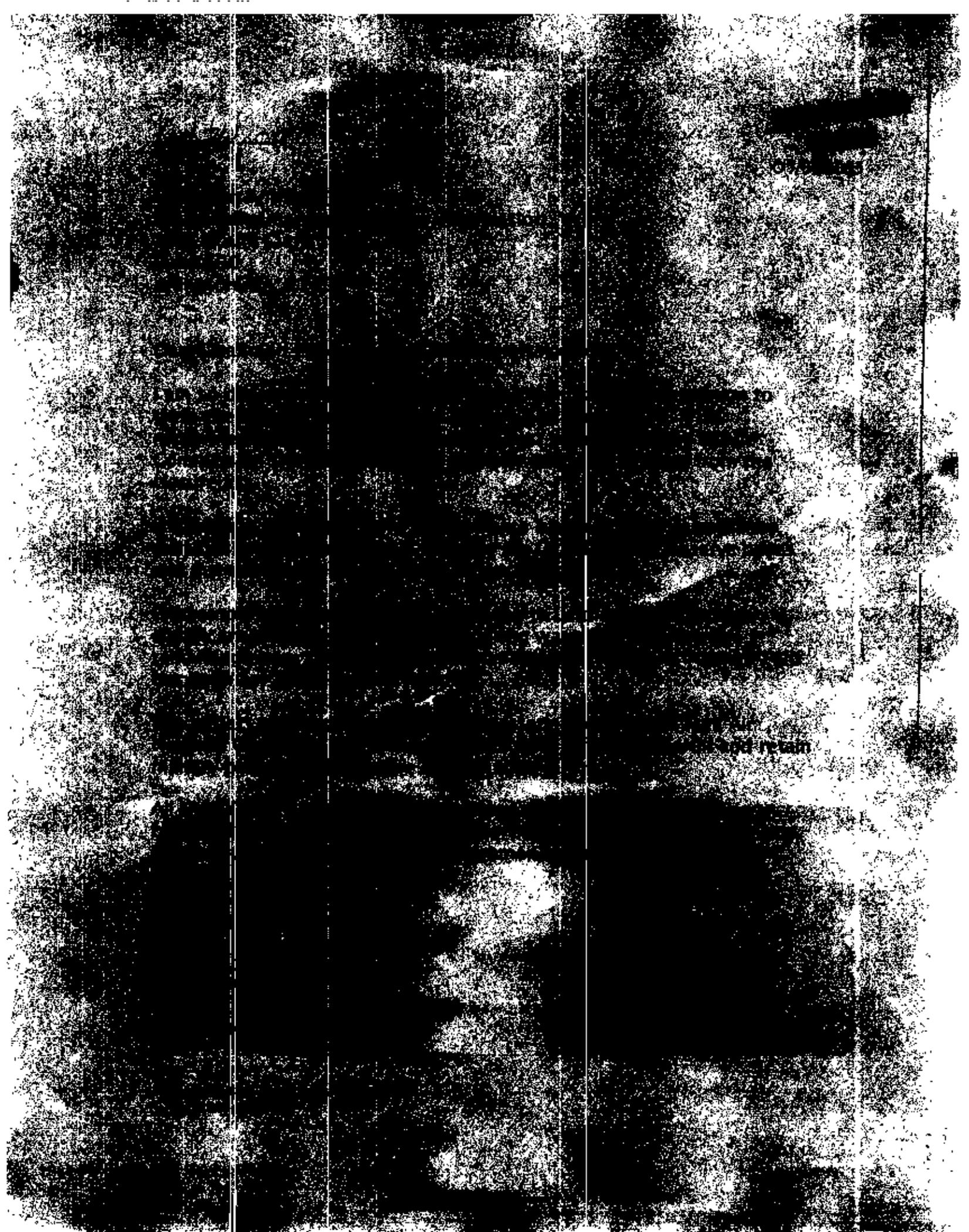
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Sincerely,

Michelle Lindstrom  
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14 George Street  
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Oriskany, NY 13327  
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Donald Madarezyk  
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Sincerely,

*Gregory Burroughs*  
(A concerned Citizen)

6872 Boston St Rd  
Hamburg, N.Y  
14075

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Chairman Anthony ...  
Base Realignment and Relocation Commission  
2521 South Clark Street  
Suite 600  
Arlington, VA 22202

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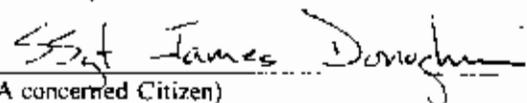
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(A Concerned Citizen)

193 Adam St.  
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(address)

TEN. NY 14150

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Gene Kotok  
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67 Chestnut Lane  
(address)

Williamsville NY 14221  
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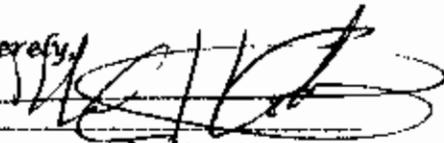
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Sincerely,



(A Concerned Citizen)

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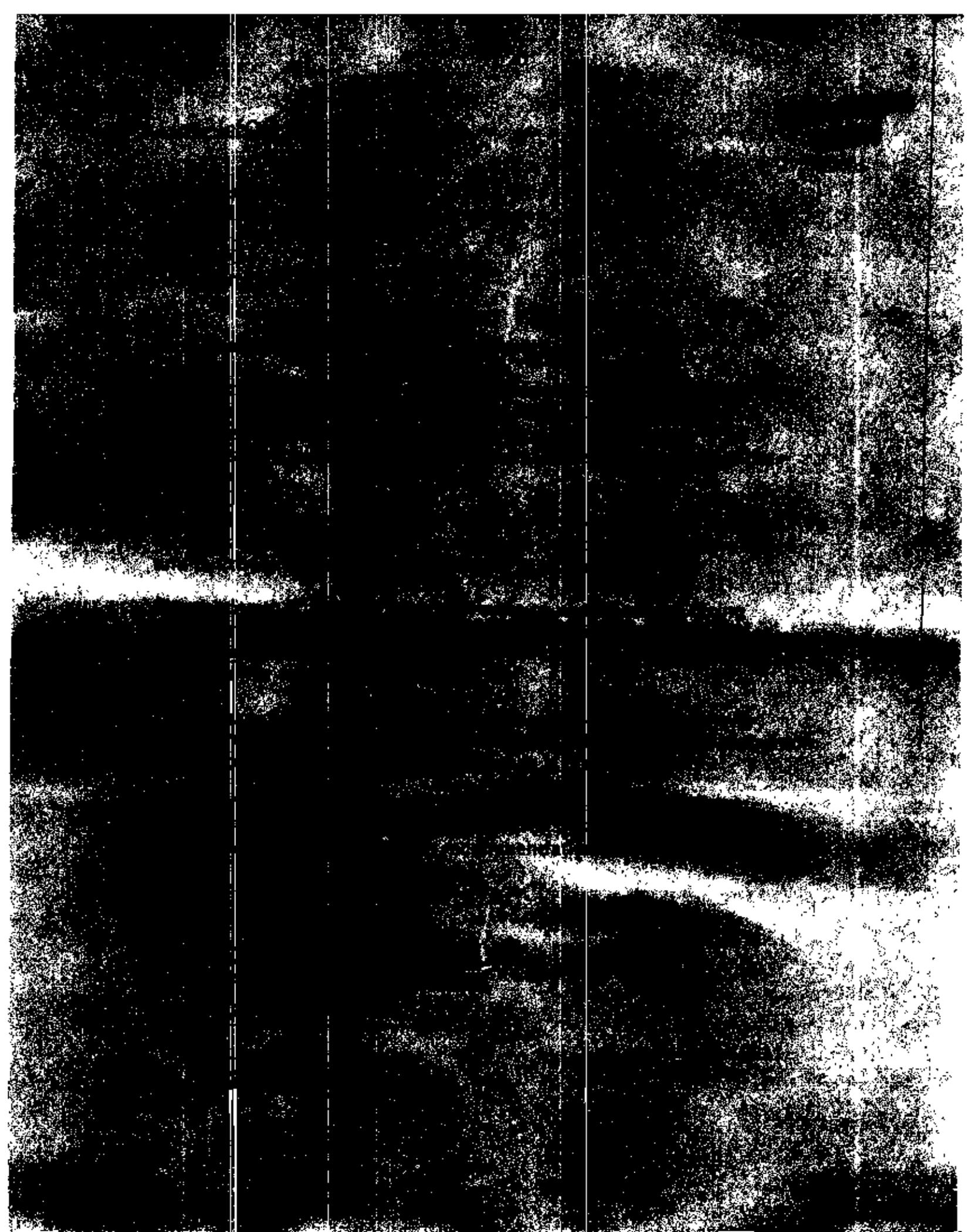
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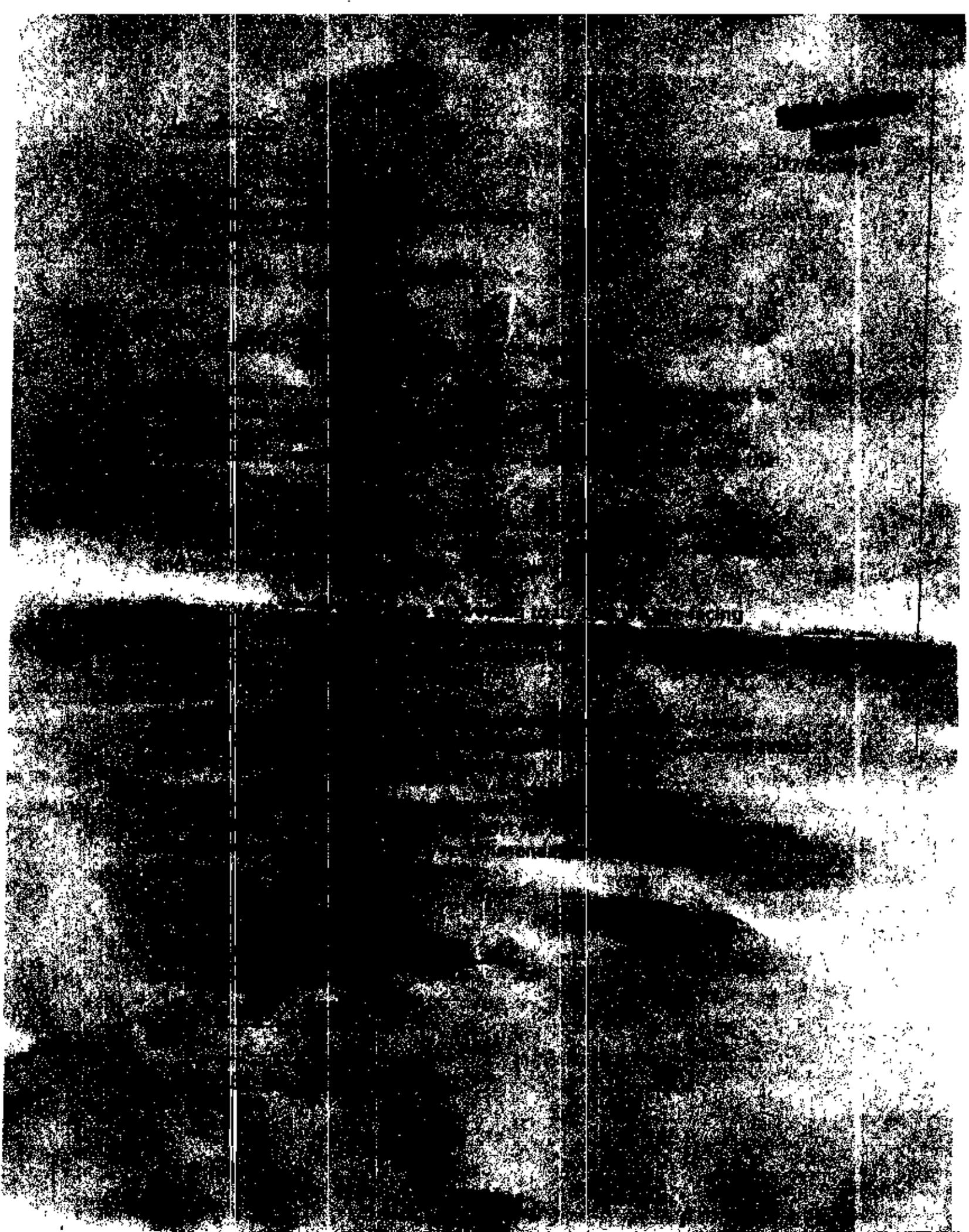
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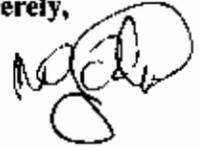
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June 22, 2005

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Chairman Anthony J. Principi  
Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
2521 South Clark Street  
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Arlington, VA 22202

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Sincerely,

Pat M. Brennan  
(A concerned Citizen)

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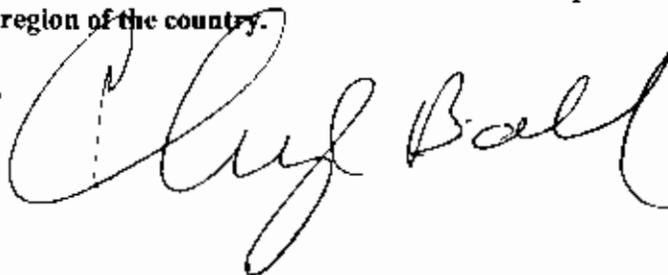
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Sincerely,

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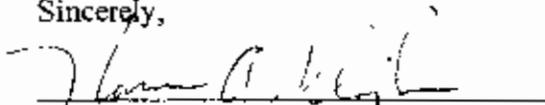
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(A concerned Citizen)

5299 Lipton Rd  
Crotona Park, NY 10517

BRAC Commission  
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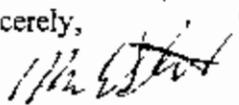
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Mr. ...  
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*Stacey Greene*

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Sincerely,

Maureen W. Dougherty  
63 Washington  
Buffalo, NY 14217

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

BRAC Commission  
Received  
07/06/2005

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

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Niagara Falls NY 14217-1905

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*Jackie DeYoung*

Name Kevin McGuire  
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Sincerely,

James Ferrell  
(A concerned Citizen)

214 Vethman St.  
2204-0000 214 14103

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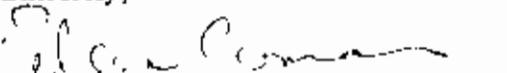
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(A concerned Citizen)

124 Cortlandt Ave  
Wj6, NY 14036

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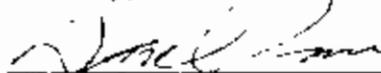
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(A concerned Citizen)

DANIEL D CONNORS

124 CECILIDGE RD

BUFFALO, NY 14220

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Henry J. Pennington  
(A concerned Citizen)

1702 Linden Ave.

110 Twp. N.Y.

14120

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6/21/05

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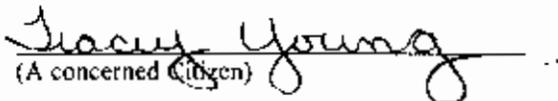
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Sincerely,

  
(A concerned citizen)

North Tonawanda, NY 14120

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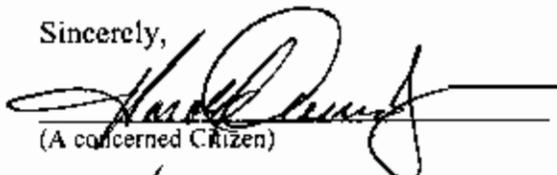
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Sincerely,

  
(A concerned Citizen)

HAROLD DAVIS JR  
8 Bennington Rd.  
Snyder, NY 14206

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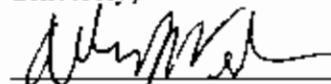
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(A concerned Citizen)

Allan R. Werbow  
349 Lakewood PKWY  
Amherst NY 14226

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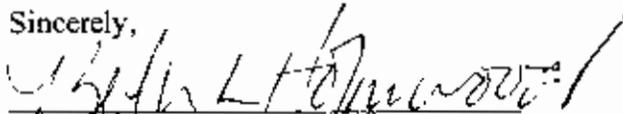
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10 Fairmount Rd

W. 115th St NY 14221

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William Weber  
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349 Lakewood Plwy

Snyder NY 14326

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Williamville NY 14721

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Sincerely,

R. L. [Signature]  
(A concerned Citizen)

151 William St  
Amherst NY 14226

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Phyllis Burke  
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215 PEPPER TREE DR.  
AMHERST NY 14208

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Lori DeFranco  
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24 Bristol Dr

Amherst, NY 14226

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Bob Marro

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215 Ontario St

Milton, Ont

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Tommy Starr  
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214 Oakkers St

N Tonawanda NY 14120

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*Dominic Lora*  
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110 Byron Ave  
Kennico, NY 14223

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Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
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Sincerely,

Claudia J Gambel  
(A concerned Citizen)

7245 East Creek Rd

Lkpt NY 14094

Claudia J Gambel

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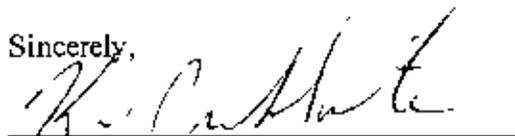
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Lockport NY 14094

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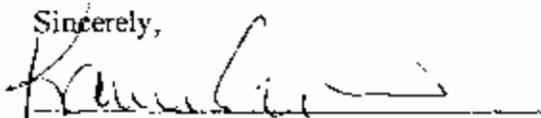
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(A concerned Citizen)

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W. ... N.Y.  
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Sincerely,

Joseph Cimella  
(A concerned Citizen)

Genoa Island, NY 14072

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Name Carol Fromme  
Address Olean NY  
Phone # 716 3730644

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

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- Base Operations Support costs have been reduced more 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.
- Closure of the base eliminates the ability to recruit and retain New Yorkers in a region in which the units have both maintained in excess of 100% manning rates.
- Niagara Falls existing infrastructure can accommodate eight (8) additional C-130H model aircraft without any military construction.
- Niagara Falls faces no physical encroachment nor air traffic control constraints and has acreage on the base and adjacent to the installation for expansion.

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,

*Carol Fromme*

June 22, 2005

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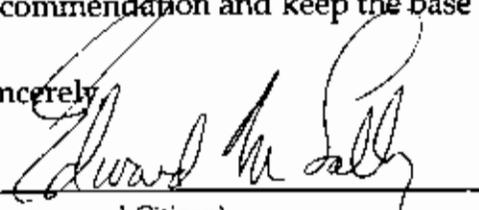
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Sincerely,



(A concerned Citizen)

608 Cindy Lane

(Address)

West Seneca, NY 14224

(City, State, Zip)

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Sincerely,  
Carl Rutch  
(A Concerned Citizen)

188 Dover  
(address)

West Seneca NY 14224  
(City, State, Zip)

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Sincerely,

Wabe Patterson

(A Concerned Citizen)

68 KERNS Ave

(address)

BFB, NY. 14211

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Sincerely,

Benjamin Basser  
(A Concerned Citizen)

97 Midland Ave  
(address)

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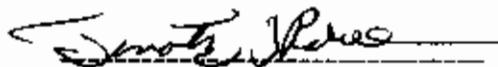
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Sincerely,



(A Concerned Citizen)

176 Central Blvd

(address)

Chesler, NY 14220

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Paul M. Roberts  
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Chick, NY 14220

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Sincerely,

  
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(A Concerned Citizen)

191 Oakwood  
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Wilkesville, NY 14221  
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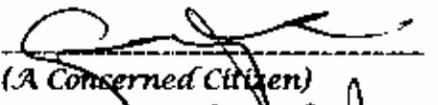
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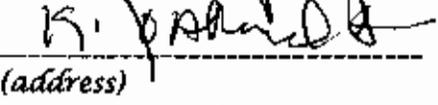
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Sincerely,

Bob Maxwell  
(A Concerned Citizen)

Lockport 1022 LA, VA / H A V L  
(address)

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Sincerely,

*Melicia M. Chamich*  
(A Concerned Citizen)

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*B/10 NY 14223*  
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Sincerely,

Kathleen M. Woodcock  
(A Concerned Citizen)

13 Jackson Ave.  
(Address)

North Lawrence, NY 14104  
(City, State, Zip)

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Sincerely,

*Keith Heidrich*

(A Concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,

A. SISSILANO  
(A concerned Citizen)

127 TOWNCLIFF RD  
AFLE, NY 14223

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Sincerely,

Leora Spindler  
(A concerned Citizen)

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Amherst 14226  
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Name Richard Zolnowski  
Address 309 French Rd  
Phone # 685-3247

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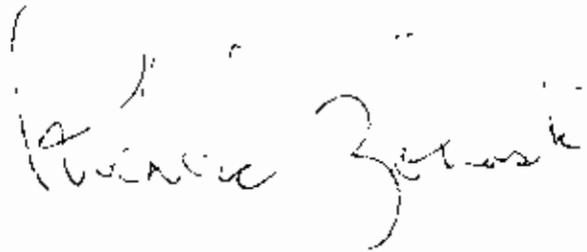
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Sincerely,

Cynthia A. Conello  
(A concerned Citizen)

4420 B.V.F. Rd.

Buffalo, N.Y. 14213

June 21, 2005

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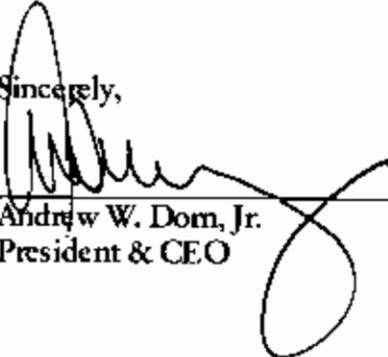
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Andrew W. Dorn, Jr.  
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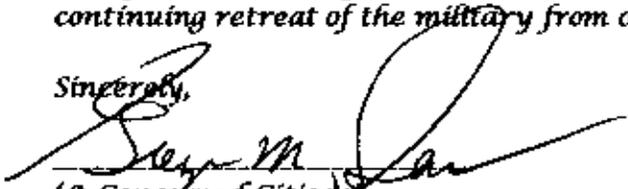
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Sincerely,

Bob Lee III

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102 Church St

(Address)

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Sincerely,

Eric Moore

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Sincerely,

Barbara Kutz  
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Sincerely,

Franky Aguirre  
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(address)

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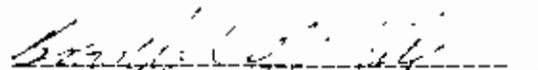
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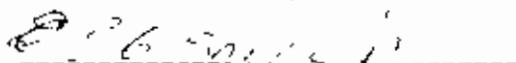
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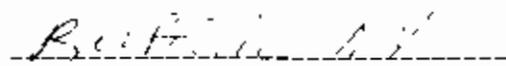
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Sincerely,

Terry J. Quinn Jr.  
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47 Wellz Ave.  
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Sincerely,

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— (A Concerned Citizen)

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*Steven M. Warfe*  
(A Concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,

Wendy Szustak  
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Ronald Reich  
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Zachary Figueroa  
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West Seneca, NY 14218  
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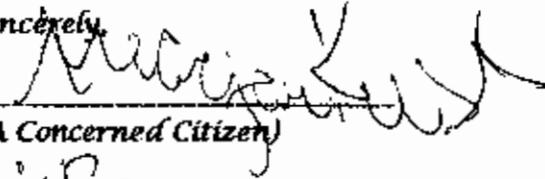
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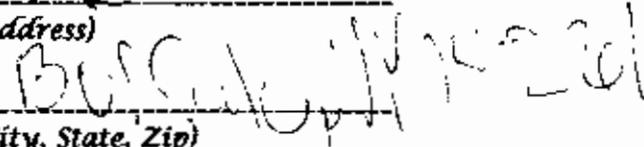
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All New Yorkers stand with the Niagara Falls/Western New York community and are united in its support for this base, and its retention. Overturn the Pentagon's recommendation and keep the base open.

Sincerely,

*Ray Conditio*  
(A concerned Citizen)

167 Niagara Street

Buffalo, NY 14220

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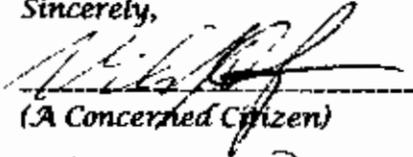
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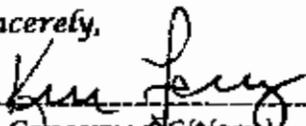
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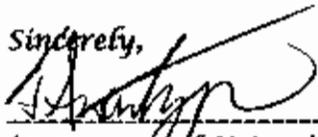
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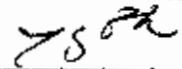
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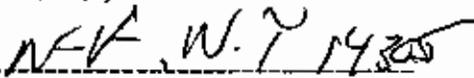
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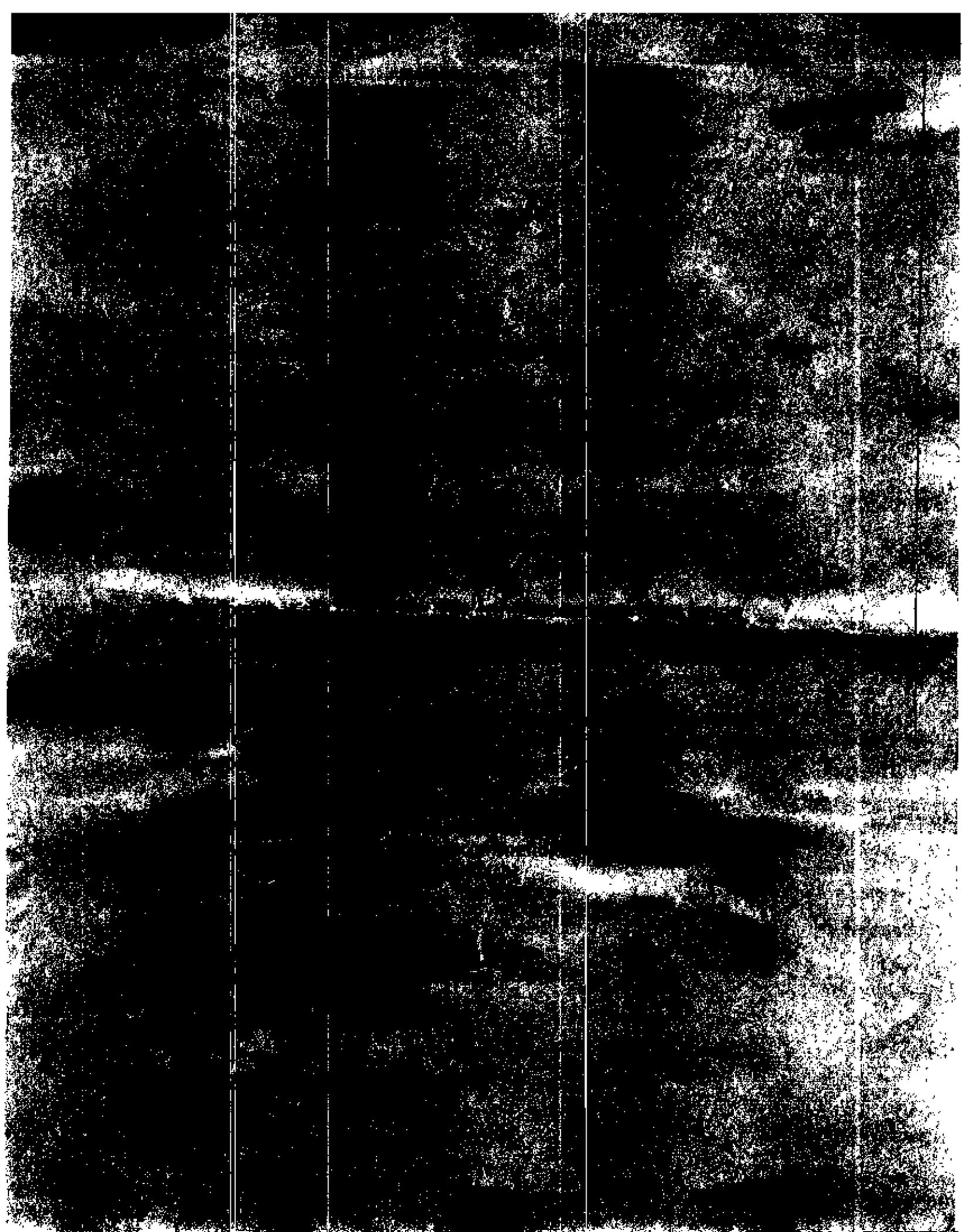
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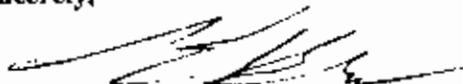
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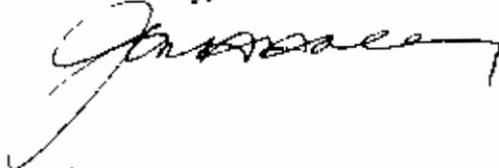
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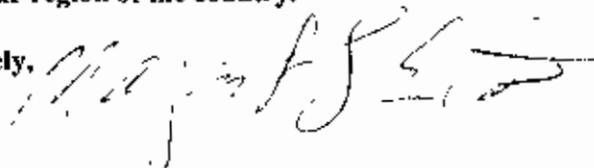
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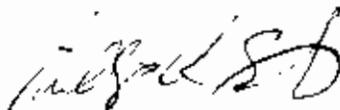
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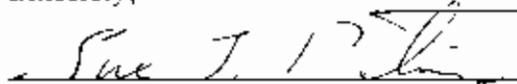
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All New Yorkers stand with the Niagara Falls/Western New York community and are united in its support for this base, and its retention. Overturn the Pentagon's recommendation and keep the base open.

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(A concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely, L. Price

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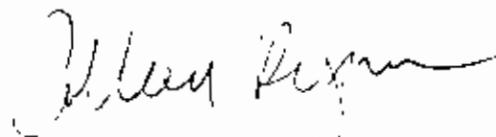
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Sincerely,

Vincent Deloia  
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3262 Seneca St

West Seneca NY 14224

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Meghan Buncy  
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Buffalo, NY

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LOCKPORT, NY 14094

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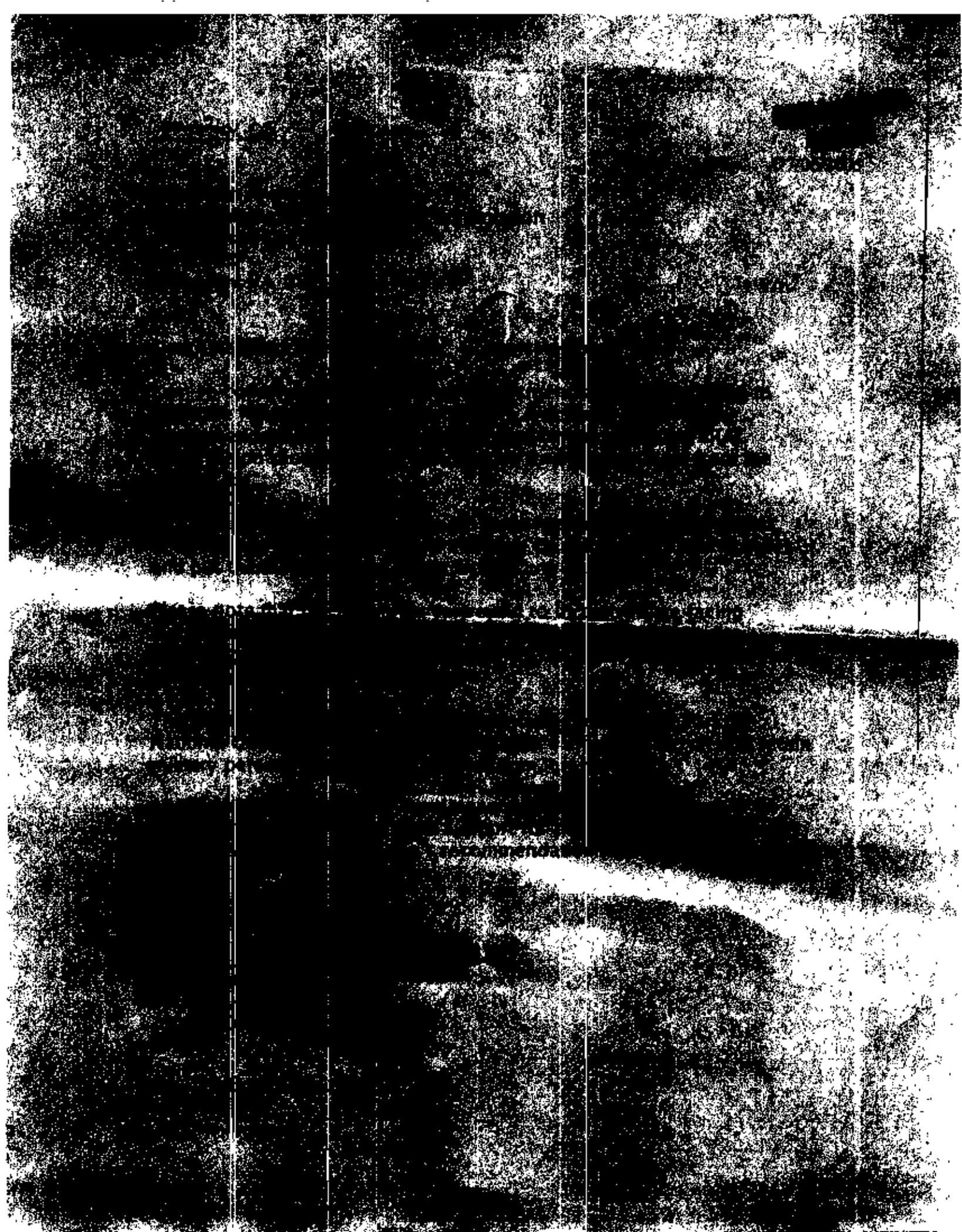
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Courtney Duncan  
(A concerned Citizen)

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4723 Tuscarora Rd

Niagara Falls NY 14304



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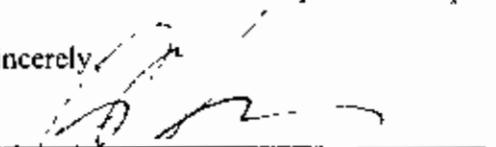
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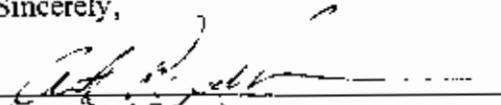
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(Address)

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Sharon Smith

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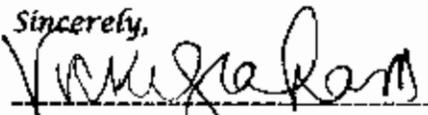
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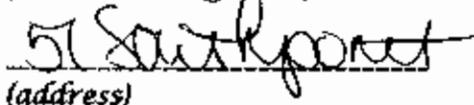
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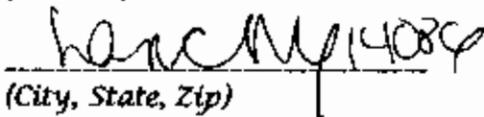
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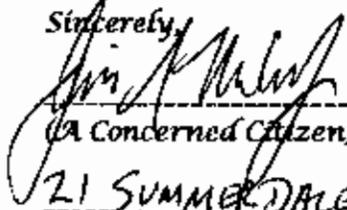
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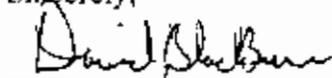
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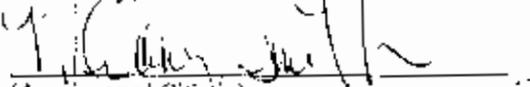
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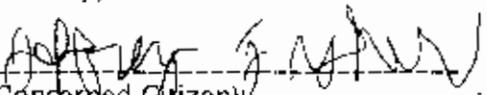
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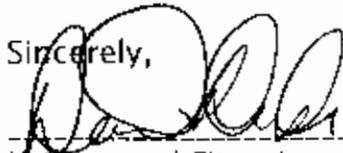
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Sincerely,

Richard A. ...  
(A Concerned Citizen)

325 ...  
(address)

Buffalo, NY 14202  
(City, State, Zip)

**BRAC Commission**  
**Meeting**  
07/06/2005

June, 2005

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Colleen A. Adams

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170 CEDAR BLVD.

(address)

Williamsville, NY 14221

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Sincerely,

Shannon Krause

(A Concerned Citizen)

12 Coolidge Rd.  
(address)

Bflo, NY 14220

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(A Concerned Citizen)

149 Round Hill  
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*Robert J. Gallagher*  
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(Address)

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(City, State, Zip) *14224*

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Sincerely,

Kevin Parkerson  
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(Address)

Buffalo, NY 14222  
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(A Concerned Citizen)

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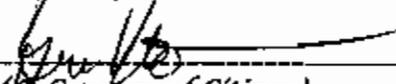
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\_\_\_\_\_  
(A Concerned Citizen)

16 Amherst Ave Apt 10  
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Sincerely,

Melissa A. Legg, Kristen Legg  
(A Concerned Citizen)

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East Amherst, NY 14051  
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Sincerely,

Craig P. ...  
(A concerned Citizen)

31 Stony Brook Dr.  
(Address)

Manchester NY 14086  
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Timothy W. Hartnett Spc.  
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Sincerely,

*Victoria G. Christopher*

(A Concerned Citizen)

*161 Science Ave*

(address)

*Buffalo, N.Y. 14216*

(City, State, Zip)

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*[Handwritten Signature]*

(A Concerned Citizen)

193 MACKINAW ST

(address)

BF10, NY 14204

(City, State, Zip)

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*Kyle Tucker*

(A Concerned Citizen)

*2015 Longfield Dr*

(address)

*Buffalo NY 14215*

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*Don A. Martin*

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165 Dalton Dr.

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Sincerely,

MAURITZ LANGENTOLIS  
(A concerned Citizen)

229 CLEVELAND

ROCHESTER NY

14223

BRAC Commission  
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(A concerned Citizen)

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Matthew Rodriguez  
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225 Tracy Lane  
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Nard Island, NY 14072  
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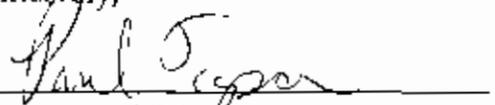
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(A concerned Citizen)

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(Address)

Cherke NY 14225

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Cheri J. Popow

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(Address)

Cheektowaga, NY 14225

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June Rodriguez  
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Amherst, NY 14202  
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6/25/05

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(A Concerned Citizen)

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Jason Clark  
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470 East River rd.  
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David Zoeller

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Buffalo, N.Y. 14207

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Sincerely,

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Middleport NY 4105  
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Sincerely,

Melissa Ingram  
(A Concerned Citizen)

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(Address)

Chico - Wisconsin 53001  
(City, State, Zip) 53001

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Sincerely,

Kim Ingram  
(A Concerned Citizen)

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(Address)

Chickadee NY  
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Feedback  
07/06/2005

6/10/05

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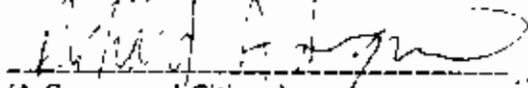
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1609 Niagara Ave  
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Niagara Falls NY 14305  
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Sincerely,

Michael Gorsuska  
(A Concerned Citizen)

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Alpena, MI 49701  
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Sincerely,

*Ronald Doyle*

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Kathleen Heffelfinger  
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Jeanne Brunzese  
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Sam Cunningham  
(A concerned Citizen)

51 Trade St  
Buffalo NY 14207

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*Angela Birmingham*

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Buffalo NY 14207  
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Michael R. Hyman

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Lake View NY 14085

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Denise M. Hunt

(A Concerned Citizen)

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Lancaster, NY 14096

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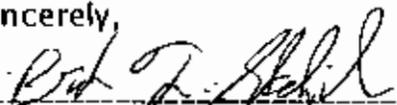
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Freeville New York 13068  
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Wendy K. Kline  
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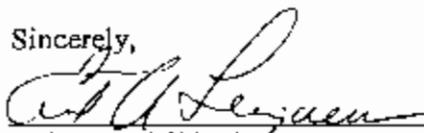
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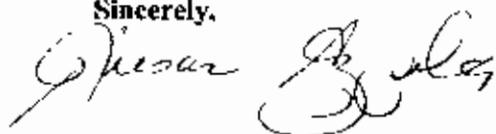
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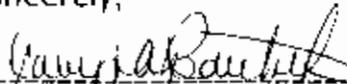
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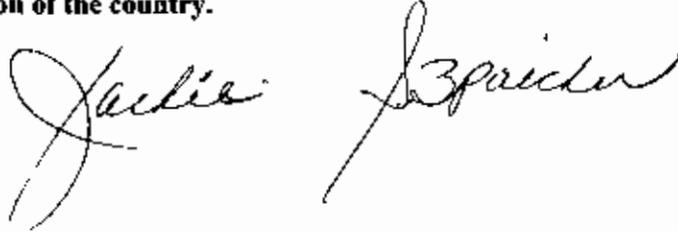
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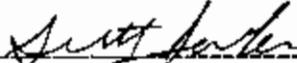
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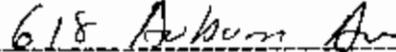
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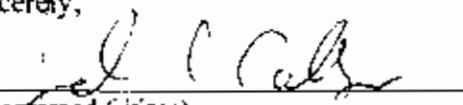
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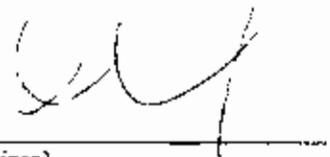
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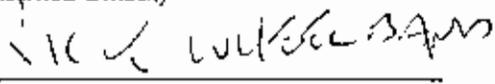
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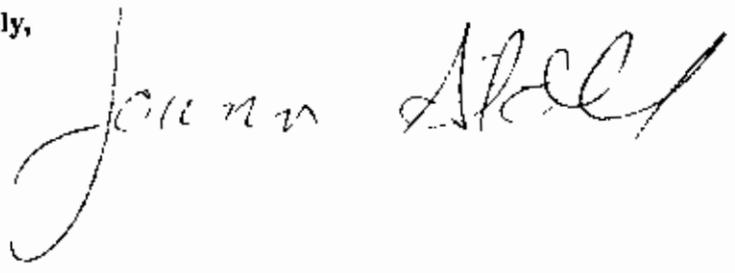
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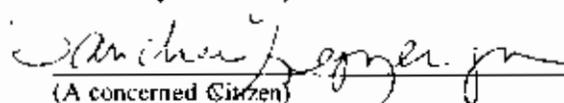
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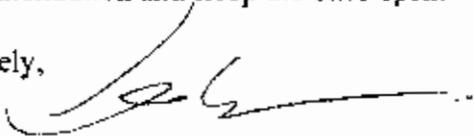
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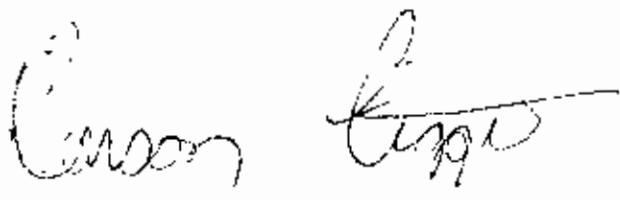
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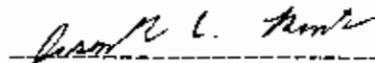
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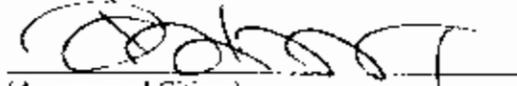
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*Kathryn Charles*

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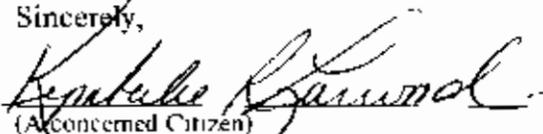
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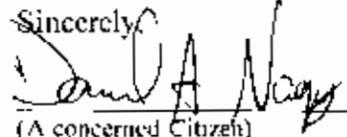
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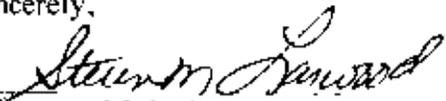
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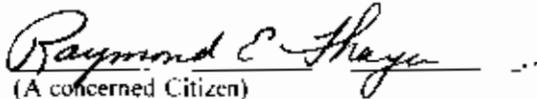
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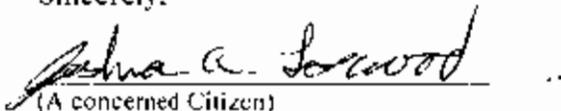
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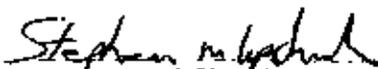
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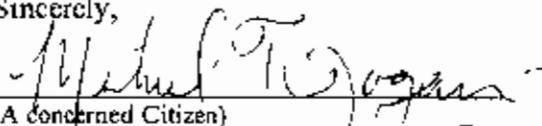
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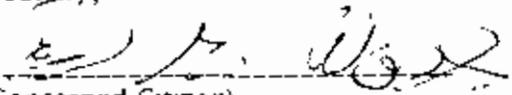
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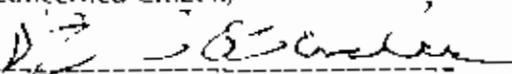
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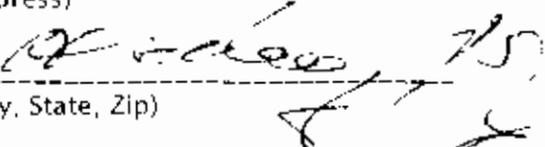
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*(address)*

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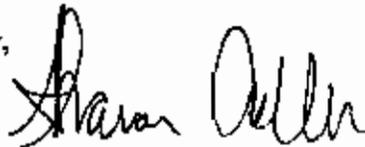
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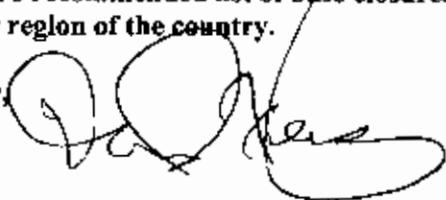
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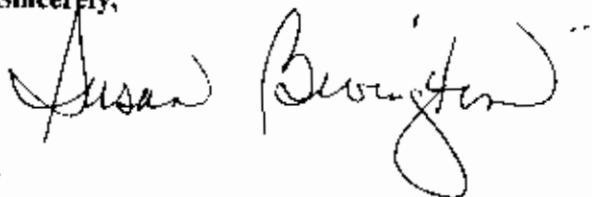
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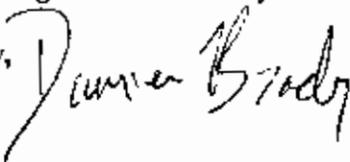
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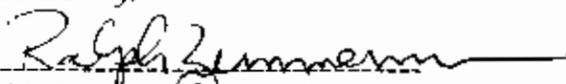
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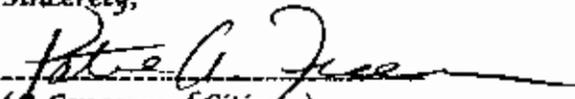
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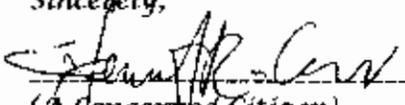
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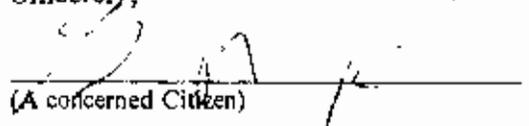
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