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Dear BRAC Commission,
Thank you so much for
taking Partsmuth Naval Shipyard
off the list.
You certainly have a very
hard task because what you decide
changes the lives of people.



You. God Bless each of

Yours truly,
The Jacobs family



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The Honorable Anthony J. Principi
Defense Base Closure & Realignment Commission
2521 S. Clark St. Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

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Dear Chairman Principi:

On behalf of my family and all the people that work for me here at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, I want to thank you so very much for making today such a wonderful day for our shipyard and our nation. I've spent 32 years of my life here as has my husband and several of our immediate family members (my brother and his wife, my husbands sister and brother; my nephews etc.) and although I will retire from here sometime over the next five years with a wonderful career behind me, it still is a great day for all of us. You and your commission members had an incredible job and the greatest gift you gave us was that you listened, you heard our message, and we gave it to you straight. We were able to watch the hearing today and see the vote and although it saddens me that one of you voted against us, it was with great joy that we listened to your wonderful words about the job we do. I had an employee sitting next to me that is pregnant with her first child, and her husband works here also, therefore they were faced with relocating and we cried together with joy that she can stay here around her family. I also am so thankful to our Shipyard Commander, Captain Jonathon Iverson. In my 32 year career no other shipyard commander would have stepped over the line for us the way I believe he has. He believed in us and he stood tall for us and it was with great sadness today as we all celebrated with our YELLOW SHIRTS! and marched out to the front gate to meet the press etc., he was not allowed to join us. God gave him to us right at the right time and we are eternally grateful to him.

In closing, I've watched you on television and you are such a respectable man and I'm grateful to our President for assigning you this huge task. Many of us over the last few months have stated that no matter what happens, you and your commission members deserve a huge thank you for the work you've done.

God Bless you all as you finish this difficult task, but thank you for sparing us.

VR, Linda Rose



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37 Meehan Lane
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August 24, 2005

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

Dear Mr. Principi,

YARD SAVED!!!!!!!

This was the headline in our local paper, dated today.

A big "Thank you" to you, seven times. A special thank you to Mr. Samuel Skinner for making the motion to strike our Shipyard from the list and to you for strongly agreeing.

It is indeed a relief to know that we still have her and she is considered a "preeminent shipyard". We are very loyal to the "old girl".

I'm not sure if this letter will reach you, but, again, Thank You to you and the six other members of the BRAC Commission.

Very Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Carolyn S. Allen

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