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To: Brigadier Gen. Sue Ellen Turner, U.S. Air Force Ret.  
BRAC Commission

RE: Red River Army Depot, Texarkana, Texas

Dear *Sir, Gen Turner,*

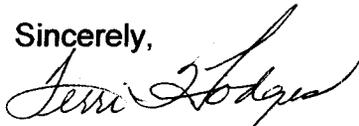
I am writing to ask you to reconsider closing Red River Army Depot. My reasoning? There are many, but one is truly close to my heart.

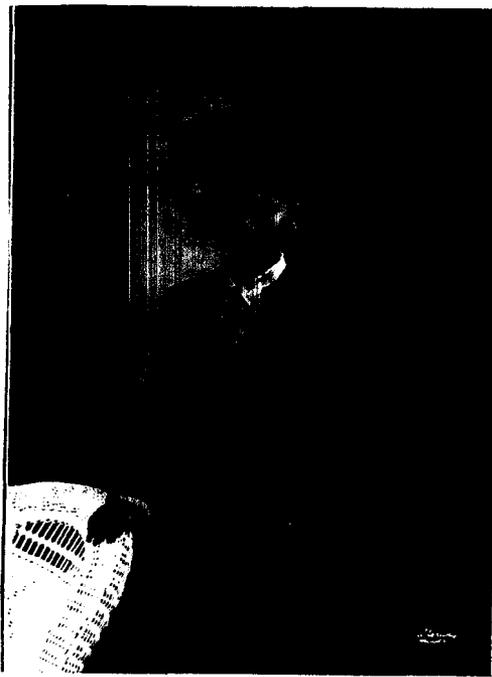
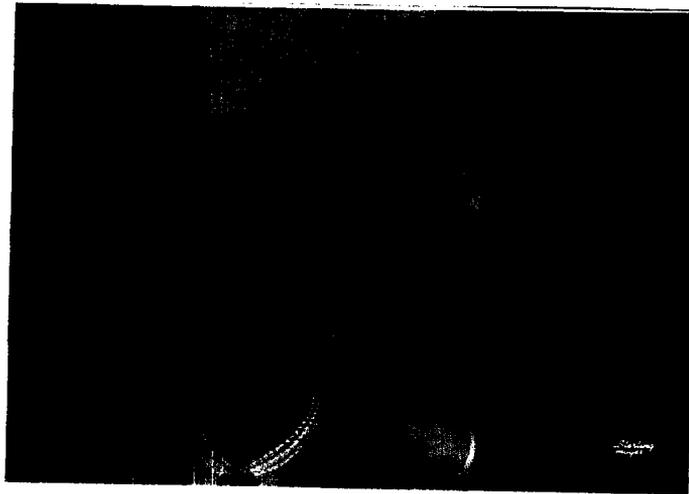
Red River Army Depot employees do the finest job of armoring humvees for military personnel. Many employees have worked long days and weeks to protect our troops. These are fine, well trained, hard working people who take pride in reconditioning humvees that keep our troops safe. Our troops, their families, and our country should thank them.

My ten year old son, Blair, wants a career in the military. Even with a college fund already in place, my only son wants to serve his country and keep others safe. If he has a desire to place others before himself, then we as a nation owe it to him to make sure every vehicle he rides in is well equipped and safe. If I am going to give the Armed Forces my only child, it is your duty, to return him to me as securely as possible.

Please consider my thoughts and RRAD's great job of keeping our troops safe. Remove Red River Army Depot from the closure list.

Sincerely,

  
Terri Mayes-Hodges



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and son, Blair