

BRAC Commission

JUL 19 2005

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Namée Q. Bridges  
1904 Wallace Street  
Clovis, NM 88101

June 1, 2005

Anthony J. Principi  
BRAC Commission  
2521 S Clark St.  
Arlington, VA 22202

Ref: Cannon AFB Closure

Dear Mr. Principi,

We are a small but growing community of people who cannot afford to lose 20% of the jobs here in Clovis. The impact will be disastrous. The economic impact on Clovis has already suffered a devastating blow since Cannon Air Force Base was listed by BRAC. Businesses are being hit hard already with loss of income. Many people who work on the base will lose their jobs and income.

Just in the past year and a half Clovis began to grow. Houses and buildings are being built along with new restaurants and businesses coming into Clovis which has had a great impact on our town. At this point everyone has been left up in the air wondering how they will survive if the base closes. Sales of homes have already dropped and construction is slowing down as a direct result of being named on your list. No one wants to make any decisions until and unless Cannon is taken off the list of closures.

I agree with the following statement from Mr. Donald K. Reid. He writes:

*"As long as I can remember, our community has supported our military not only monetarily, emotionally, patriotically, but also spiritually. These are not just military people to us. They are our friends and neighbors. They have brought diversity to our community that could not have happened any other way.*

*I believe that Cannon was put on the list of closures in error. This base should be expanding, not closing.*

*Since our area is faced with the hardest hit economy on the BRAC list in percentage of loss of jobs, I am asking that all nine members of The BRAC Commission attend the meeting in Clovis set for the 24<sup>th</sup> of June. Please take time to look at the physical advantages of expanding Cannon Air Force Base. You will find unlimited air space and no encroachment of the community and installation. The runways do not go over populated areas in any direction like you find at Luke or Nellis AFB.*

*I believe it is very important that all the commissioners visit the area to get a clear concise view of all the aspects that are relevant to keeping Cannon AFB open.*

*I know that the expense and scheduling of all nine of you coming to Clovis and CAFB is expensive and not an easy task, however the importance of our economy and the safety factor of our military and civilian population along with the safety of our nation should be reason enough to offset the trouble and expense."*

I hope you will all come to the meeting and reconsider keeping Cannon Air Force Base. With our wide open spaces and low population, it is a perfect place for training our air force pilots.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Namée Q. Bridges". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Namée Q. Bridges, MSW  
Plains Regional Medical Center Hospice

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June 14, 05

Dear Sirs,

I am a student at the Clovis Summer Academy. I don't think it is a good idea to close Cannon Air Force Base. People want their stores to stay open and companies will close too! People in Clovis could be poor.

There are more reasons to keep Cannon.

1. Keep jobs
2. Cannon helps us to be safe
3. Help us student learn
4. Cannon people teach us about We look up to them. We'd lose heroes
5. We don't want stores to close and so would companies.
6. People in Clovis could be poor.
7. Cannon is an Award winning base.
8. Add to the diversity of Clovis keeps it's interesting.
9. We would lose friends
10. We do not want schools to close
11. Our town would get smaller
12. We would have empty houses, and the building at Cannon would be wasted.

\*♥ I sincerely ♥\*

Jasmine

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Erick  
carreño

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Jun 15 2005

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Dear sir,

I am shame I am a student at  
the Clovis Summer Academy.  
I don't think it is a good  
indeed to close cannon Air  
Force Base.

Here are some reasons  
you should not close  
the Air Force Base

1. Cannon helps us be safe
2. We would have  
people that will have no jobs
3. our town would get  
smaller.
4. We don't want  
schools to close.

5. We would lose friends

6. Cannon Air Force Base  
is an awarding base.

Sincerely

Shanna

MAE

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reasons

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2 We dont want scools to close. and our town well get smaller. we well have empty houses and the buildings of Cannon would be wasted.

Sincerely,  
♥★♥★ Yasenia B ♥★♥★

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There are more reasons to keep Cannon. One is Cannon is an award winning base. The second one is people in Clovis could be poor.

Sincerely,

Diana Calleros

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Thank You,  
Manuela.

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KNOX COUNTY

JUNE 17, 2005

Dear Sir,

I am a student at the Clovis  
Summer Academy. I don't think  
it is a good idea to close Cannon  
Air Force Base.

We want to keep jobs, we don't  
want stores to close, people in Clovis  
to become poor.

Sincerely,  
Alex Bell

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June 14, 2005

4/1/05  
6/1/05

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Dear Sir,

I am a student at the 4th Summer Academy. I don't think it is a good idea to close Cannon Air Force Base. We should keep Cannon Air Force Base. People could be proud if they live in Cannon Air Force Base. I think it's wrong to close Cannon Air Force Base.

There are more reasons why Cannon Air Force Base should not close because people could be friends. I think that's sad it could be family. And also because schools will be shut down cuz Cannon Air Force Base will be shut down. I really hope Cannon Air Force Base closes down.

Sincerely,  
Gaby Brendon

I am a student from La Casita Elementary School. We want to keep Cannon Air Force Base.

A reason to keep Cannon is to keep jobs. We don't want people to be poor also. We do not want stores to close. Cannon helps us to be safe. Cannon people teach us about respect. We look up to them.

If Cannon closes we would lose our heroes.

The people from Cannon help us learn. We learn on field trips to Cannon and when people from Cannon come to our class. People from Cannon add to the diversity of Clovis and keep things interesting.

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thank you  
mrs park

Sergio Aguilera

June 14

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I am a student - from La Casita Elementary School. We want to keep Cannon Air Force Base. A reason to keep Cannon is to keep jobs. We don't want stores to close. Cannon helps us to be safe. Cannon people teach us about respect. We look up to them. If Cannon we will lose our heroes. The people from Cannon help us learn. We learn on field trips to Cannon and we meet people from Cannon come to our class. People from Cannon add to the diversity of Clovis and keep things interesting.

Thank you  
Alejandro  
Hernandez

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June, 16 2005

Dear Sir,

I am a student at  
the Clovis Summer Academy.  
I don't think it is a good idea  
to close Cannon Air Force Base.

If you close Cannon Air  
Force Base people can lose  
jobs, friends. Cannon Air Force  
Base keep use safe.

There are more reasons  
to keep Cannon Air Force Base.

Sincerely

Sandra

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JUNE 14, 2005

Dear Sir,

I am a student at the Clovis Summer Academy I don't think it is a good idea to close Cannon Air Force Base because people would not have any jobs to work at & all those houses will not have anybody in them Cannon Air Force Base have won many awards and if you close the Cannon Air Force Base than all the hard work would be to waste.

Another reason why I want Cannon Air Force Base to stay open is because what if you were living on the Base and other people wanted to shut Cannon you would not want them to shut Cannon so please do not shut down Cannon.

Sincerely,

Lindsey Ross

Keep Cannon

June 14, 2005

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Dear Sir,

I am a student from a casita elementary school. We want to keep Cannon at Force Base. A reason to keep Cannon is to keep jobs we don't want people to be laid off. Also we do not want stores to close. Cannon helps us it is safe. Cannon people teach us about respect. We look up to them. If Cannon closes we would lose our heroes. The people from Cannon help us learn. We learn on field trips to Cannon and when people from Cannon come to our class. People from Cannon add to the diversity of Clovis and keep things interesting.

Thank You,

Miguel A

June 18, 2004

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Dear Sirs,

I am a student at the Clovis - Summer Academy. I don't think it's a good idea to close Cannon Air Force Base. We don't want schools to close, we don't want to lose friends or people in Clovis could become poor. There are more reasons to keep Cannon. Cannon Air Force Base helps us learn. If Cannon closes we will lose stores. Our town will get smaller. Please don't close Cannon.

Sincerely

Brandon  
Telles

Date  
6-14-200

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maritza Gutierrez

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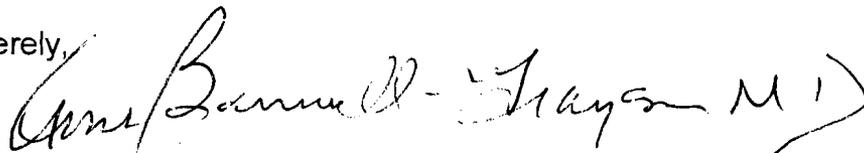
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Whether or not Cannon's military value has been recognized yet in Washington, out here we really appreciate the base. The local community has been uniquely supportive, donating time and land to promote the base's needs. We have also welcomed the personnel. The many veterans in the area make it clear that they feel at home here. We consider Cannon and its retirees a part of our family.

The closure of Cannon will also have a devastating impact on our economy. It has been estimated that the area will lose at least 20 percent of its workforce, a percentage out of line with the effect of base closings in other communities. Cannon is critical for us.

I invite you to come personally to the Cannon hearing in Clovis. I ask you please to reconsider Cannon's importance to the nation and to my community. Please, let us KEEP CANNON!

Sincerely,

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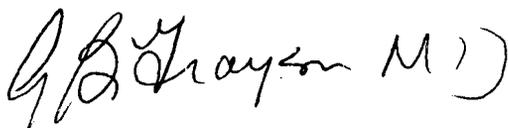
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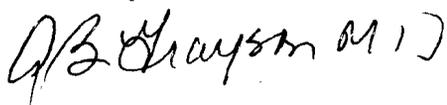
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