



## CITY OF HIGHLAND HEIGHTS

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Scott Coleman, Mayor

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June 22, 2005

The Honorable Anthony J. Principi  
Commission Chair  
2005 Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission  
2521 S. Clark St., Ste. 600  
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Mr. Principi:

Enclosed is a copy of Resolution 19-2005 as adopted by the Council of the City of Highland Heights on June 21, 2005.

Resolution 19-2005 urges the United States Base Closure and Realignment Commission to retain 1028 important Federal defense jobs at the Defense Finance and Accounting Service in downtown Cleveland.

Sincerely,

Jean A. Buchak  
Clerk of Council

Enclosure: Resolution 19-2005

**CITY OF HIGHLAND HEIGHTS  
RESOLUTION NO. 19 - 2005**

INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Scott E. Coleman and Council as a Whole

MOTION BY: Councilman Scott A. Mills

SECONDED BY: Councilwoman Virginia K. Swanson

**AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES BASE CLOSURE AND REALIGNMENT COMMISSION TO RETAIN 1,028 IMPORTANT FEDERAL DEFENSE JOBS AT THE DEFENSE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICE IN DOWNTOWN CLEVELAND AND SUPPORTING AND ENCOURAGING THE CLEVELAND DEFENSE INDUSTRY ALLIANCE AND THE GREATER CLEVELAND PARTNERSHIP IN THEIR ADVOCACY EFFORTS TO PROTECT THE REGION'S ECONOMIC VITALITY BY APPEALING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO REALIGN THESE JOBS TO OTHER CITIES AND ENCOURAGING THEIR RETENTION; AND FURTHER COMMITTING COUNCIL'S SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE IN THIS UNDERTAKING.**

WHEREAS, Highland Heights City Council has as one of its primary responsibilities improving the health and welfare of its citizens, which includes ensuring the availability of a diverse selection of employment opportunities in the Greater Cleveland area; and

WHEREAS, the Defense Finance & Accounting Service (DFAS) in downtown Cleveland is currently the fourth largest federal employer in Greater Cleveland, with a \$65 million annual payroll; and

WHEREAS, DFAS employs some 1,200 people from throughout the region, and provides jobs that are vital to the health of the regional workforce and enrich the ranks of professionals in Northeast Ohio; and

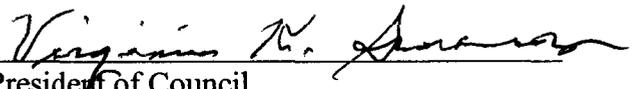
WHEREAS, the Cleveland DFAS office is the world center for Navy payroll services and personnel data management as well as the Reserve Pay Center of Excellence, distributing \$101 billion and serving 2,745,000 military and civilian personnel, retirees and annuitants in FY 2003; and

WHEREAS, Cleveland's DFAS office is an integral part of the system that supports our armed forces, and is a cutting edge model of operational efficiency and customer service for U.S. military pay operations around the world; and

Section 4 That the Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council relating to the adoption of this Resolution have been taken at open meetings of this Council; and that deliberations of this Council and of its committees, resulting in such formal action, took place in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all statutory requirements including the requirements of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code. .

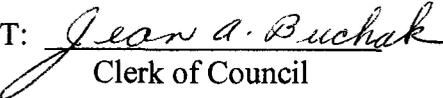
Section 5. That this resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and, provided it receives the necessary affirmative vote of the elected members, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Mayor, otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period provided by law.

Reading: 6/21/05

  
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President of Council

PASSED: June 21, 2005

Filed with Mayor: 6/21/05

ATTEST:   
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Clerk of Council

APPROVED: 6/21/05

EFFECTIVE: June 21, 2005

  
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Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:   
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Timothy G. Paluf, Director of Law