Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

September 21, 2007

Lt. General Robert J. Elder 245 Davis Avenue, Suite 250 Barksdale Air Force Base, LA 71110

Dear Lt. General Elder:

We welcome you to California to commemorate the Air Force's 60th anniversary. As you will see first hand, Beale Air Force Base has many assets that can help the U.S. Air Force achieve its national security objectives in cyberspace. We urge you to consider Beale AFB as the headquarters for the Cyber Command.

Beale AFB is an ideal location: it is already an integral part of the Air Force's military surveillance and reconnaissance mission. It is the home of the Global Communications Center and has the bandwidth and communications capacity for conducting complex cyberspace operations. Air Force public-private partnerships will be facilitated by Beale's proximity to a high concentration of defense, computer, and aerospace firms as well as world-class universities.

The Northern California area near Beale employs over 350,000 high-tech workers, of which 190,000 are in computer-related occupations. Five of the top supercomputer sites in the world are located in Northern California at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratories and at NASA Ames Research Center. The local academic institutions fund research, design innovative technology, and provide training that will be essential for the Cyber Command mission. Its 23,000 acres provide ample space for new offices and labs. The communities surrounding Beale have some of the most affordable housing in California with abundant water supplies and electrical power.

As this letter demonstrates, Beale is strongly backed by the California delegation in the U.S. Congress. Additional endorsements have come from Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, the Yuba County Board of Supervisors, and the California Space Authority. A full list of current supporters is attached. As the local community gets mobilized, more endorsements from the universities and private sector are expected.

California remains committed in continuing its long and productive relationship with the U.S. Air Force. Beale AFB has attributes for the Cyber Command that are unmatched by any other location. Thank you for considering Beale and please let us know if we can assist you and the Air Force in any way.

Sincerely,

Barbara Boxer

United States Senator

Dianne Feinstein

United States Senator

Attachments

cc: The Honorable Michael W. Wynne Secretary of the Air Force 1670 Air Force Pentagon Washington, DC 20330-1670

Member of Congress

General T. Michael Moseley Chief of Staff United States Air Force 1670 Air Force Pentagon Washington, DC 20330



Resolutions

City of Rancho Cordova
City of Roseville
City of Wheatland
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Proclamations

City of Chico
City of Marysville
City of Oroville
Yuba-Sutter Economic Development Corporation

Letters of Support

Sam Aanestad, California State Senator
California Space Authority
California State University, Chico
California State University, Chico - Center for Economic Development
City of Atascadero
John Garamendi, Lieutenant Governor, State of California
Arnold Schwarzenegger, Governor, State of California
Sutter Post 705, The American Legion, Department of California
Town of Loomis
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GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

August 31, 2007

The Honorable Michael W. Wynne Secretary of the Air Force 1670 Air Force Pentagon Washington, DC 20330-1670

Dear Mr. Secretary,

As the United States Air Force continues to develop its global reach into cyberspace, I ask you to consider the many ways in which California can assist. In particular, I would encourage you to consider Beale Air Force Base as the headquarters for the Cyber Command.

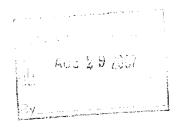
From Beale Air Force Base, the Cyber Command could draw on a wealth of world-class universities and on the concentration of defense, computer and aerospace industries in California to identify and meet the requirements of cyberspace operations. With decades at the forefront of research and development in electronics and use of the electromagnetic spectrum, California has unparalleled resources for supporting the new command.

In fact, Beale Air Force Base has many assets that make it an excellent location for basing cyberspace forces. With 23,000 acres, the base has ample room for growth. The military and civilian population necessary for supporting the new Major Command would have access to affordable housing in the community around the base. With its high-altitude reconnaissance mission, Beale Air Force Base already possesses the bandwidth and communications capacity for conducting cyberspace operations.

California remains committed to supporting national defense, and I am eager to build on the state's long and productive relationship with the U. S. Air Force. I look forward to working with you to meet the demands of national security in cyberspace today and into the future.

Arnold Schwarzenegger

cc: Lieutenant General Robert J. Elder



OF THE COUNTY OF YUBA

IN RE:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF YUBA COUNTY)
IN SUPPORT OF LOCATING THE NEW CYBERSPACE)
COMMAND CENTER TO BEALE AIR FORCE BASE)

Resolution No. 2007-119

WHEREAS, Beale's economic impact totals over \$700 million dollars annually to UpState California; and

WHEREAS, Beale AFB is the new home for the Global Hawk unmanned reconnaissance aerial vehicle that will bring 1,000 new military and civilian jobs and nearly \$60 million in new construction and infrastructure to UpState California; and

WHEREAS, Beale AFB is an essential element of the Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance Community, and has the Global Communications Center; and because of this Beale AFB has the wiring and broadband infrastructure to accommodate CyberSpace Command requirements; and

WHEREAS, Beale AFB is ideally located and has more than adequate space available, situated on 26,000; acres and

WHEREAS, Secretary of the Air Force Michael W. Wynne announced November 2, 2006, the United Sates Air Force is creating the new Air Force CyberSpace Command; and WHEREAS, an estimated 10,000 military and civilian personnel would make up CyberSpace Command with additional corporate offices, research labs, and other support organizations contributing to the economic impact.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Yuba County Board of Supervisors declares its support to have Cyber Command established at Beale Air Force Base and joins local, regional, and state leaders in their efforts to acquire the project.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Yuba, State of California, on the 28 day of August 2007, by the following vote:

AYES:

Supervisors Logue, Nicoletti, Griego, Schrader, Stocker

NOES:

None

ABSENT: None

ATTEST:

Donna Stottlemeyer

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

The foregoing instrument is a Correct Copy of the original on file in this office ATTEST: DONNA STOTTLEMEYER Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Yuba, State of California

County Counsel

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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