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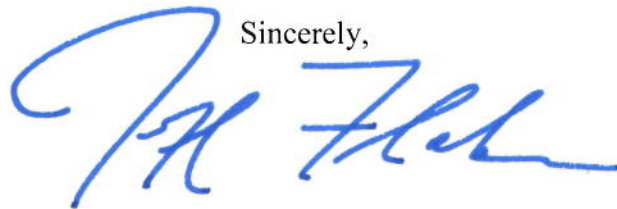
Dear Mr. Varney,

I am writing to thank you and the members of the Southern Arizona Defense Alliance (SADA) for your advocacy on behalf of Arizona's military community.

Southern Arizona's military installations play a substantial role in our national security. Likewise, the service members that are stationed in Southern Arizona benefit from the fine communities that the military helps to sustain with its presence in the state. At a time when the nation is facing difficult fiscal challenges, it is important to remind federal, state, and local leaders of the positive effect that the military community has in Arizona.

I applaud SADA's efforts to highlight the many resources that Arizona provides to the Armed Forces and the benefits that Arizona is afforded as a result of the military's presence here.

Sincerely,



Jeff Flake
United States Senator