



Office of the Mayor

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Amber Smith
Southern Arizona Defense Alliance
P O Box 41626
Tucson, AZ 85717

RE: Support of Davis-Monthan Air Force Base

Dear Ms. Smith:

As Mayor of the Town of Oro Valley, I am pleased to write in support of Davis-Monthan Air Force Base (DM), recognizing the significant contributions that the base brings to the region.

The Town of Oro Valley understands the importance of the military to our community and to the nation as a whole. Southern Arizona continues to have one of the largest active-duty and veteran populations in the country. DM service members and their families are living and working in our communities, attending our schools and contributing a \$1.6 billion annual impact to the regional economy.

Davis-Monthan Air Force Base has maintained a stable long-term partnership with local and state governments for over sixty years. The Town of Oro Valley is proud to be one of DM's host communities in the region, and will enthusiastically assist efforts that support the base's continuing military mission and presence in Southern Arizona.

Sincerely,

Dr. Satish I. Hiremath
Mayor

c: Oro Valley Town Council
Greg Caton, Town Manager