

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the County of Oakland is directed to submit a copy of this resolution to the Office of the Governor, Senate Majority and Minority Leaders, the House Speaker and Minority Leader, the Michigan Association of Counties and members of the Oakland County delegation to the Michigan Legislature.

Chairperson, I move the adoption of the foregoing Resolution.

SHELLEY TAUB, DAVE WOODWARD,
MICHAEL SPISZ, BILL DWYER, TOM
MIDDLETON, NANCY QUARLES, WADE
FLEMING, MARCIA GERSHENSON, TOM
BERMAN, ADAM KOCHENDERFER, MICHAEL
GINGELL, CHRISTINE LONG, PHILIP
WEIPERT, HUGH CRAWFORD

The Chairperson referred the resolution to the General Government Committee. There were no objections.

MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTION #17188

BY: Commissioners Michael J. Gingell, District #1; Michael Spisz, District #3; Shelley Taub, District #12; Hugh Crawford, District #9; Nancy Quarles, District #17; Wade Fleming, District #16; Tom Berman, District #5; David Woodward, District #19; Janet Jackson, District #21; Adam Kochenderfer, District #15

IN RE: BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – SUPPORT THE SELECTION OF SELFRIDGE AIR NATIONAL GUARD BASE FOR THE F-35 LIGHTNING II FIGHTER

To the Oakland County Board of Commissioners

Chairperson, Ladies and Gentlemen:

WHEREAS the selection of historic Selfridge Air National Guard Base (ANGB) as one of the newest bases for the state-of-the-art F-35 Lightning II, a fifth generation fighter aircraft, is beneficial for the Southeast Michigan region, the entire state and the nation; and

WHEREAS the Michigan Air National Guard's 127th Wing is the host unit at Selfridge ANGB and is a complete global reaching warfighting package highly demanded by combatant commanders and the wing's A-10s, KC-135s and support personnel stand ready to answer any mission call; and

WHEREAS Selfridge ANGB, with its history of flying fighter aircraft and a supporting community that dates back 100 years, is one of the nation's busiest, most diverse and most advanced military installations as it is a Joint Military Community whose major tenants include the Army, Air Force, Marines, Navy, Coast Guard and Customs and Border Protection; and

WHEREAS the State of Michigan hosts some of the best training airspace and ranges in the Eastern United States with the Alpena Training Center and Grayling Range training complexes covering a vast expanse of Northern Michigan and their electronic warfare ability and low density flight areas are unmatched; all U.S. military services – as well as international partners – leverage these capabilities for training; and

WHEREAS the enduring fighter mission at Selfridge ANGB provides the continued utilization and training capacity that is the cornerstone of the tremendous joint training capability; and

WHEREAS the F-35 cooperative engagement capability and sensor fusion technology leverage the cyber and remotely piloted aircraft capabilities of the 100th Attack Wing in Battle Creek to seamlessly integrate readiness, placing both Michigan Air National Guard Wings in the forefront of our nation's defense; and

WHEREAS compared to the other locations being considered, the area Selfridge ANGB is located in has nearly six times the number of defense sector jobs than the others combined; meets 73 percent of its defense sector demand locally, compared with 20 percent; has the necessary trained talent versus a labor shortage and fulfills 33 percent or more defense contracts, at \$2 billion annually; and

WHEREAS stationing the F-35 fighter aircraft at Selfridge ensures critical Michigan defense infrastructure and economic viability for the entire region for decades to come; and

WHEREAS Selfridge ANGB is strategically located near five international, land-border crossings, includes marine access to the Official Aerial Port of Embarkation Center for global trade and commerce, provides efficient flight times to major metropolitan areas and access to regional airport hubs interstates; and

WHEREAS the F-35 basing decision has economic, infrastructure and future capability implications for all of Michigan and it is in the best interest of the state as well as the nation, both operationally and fiscally, for Selfridge ANGB to be selected as the home of the F-35 Lightning II fighter aircraft.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Oakland County Board of Commissioners support basing the F-35 Lightning II fighter aircraft at Selfridge Air National Guard Base.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Oakland County Clerk/Register of Deeds is requested to forward copies of this adopted resolution to the Secretary of the Air Force, the Governor of the State of Michigan, the members of the Michigan congressional delegation, the members of the Oakland County delegation to the Michigan Legislature, the Macomb County Executive, the Wayne County Executive, the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners for Macomb County.

Chairperson, I move the adoption of the foregoing Resolution.

MICHAEL GINGELL, MICHAEL SPISZ
SHELLEY TAUB, HUGH CRAWFORD
NANCY QUARLES, WADE FLEMING
TOM BERMAN, DAVID WOODWARD
JANET JACKSON, ADAM KOCHENDERFER

Moved by Gingell supported by Hoffman to suspend the rules and vote on Miscellaneous Resolution #17188 – Board of Commissioners - Support the Selection of Selfridge Air National Guard Base for the F-35 Lightning II Fighter.

Vote on motion to suspend the rules:

AYES: Middleton, Quarles, Spisz, Taub, Weipert, Woodward, Zack, Berman, Bowman, Crawford, Dwyer, Fleming, Gershenson, Gingell, Hoffman, Jackson, Kochenderfer, Long, McGillivray. (19)

NAYS: None. (0)

A sufficient majority having voted in favor, the motion to suspend the rules and vote on Miscellaneous Resolution #17188 - Board of Commissioners - Support the Selection of Selfridge Air National Guard Base for the F-35 Lightning II Fighter carried.

Moved by Gingell supported by Hoffman the resolution be adopted.

Vote on resolution:

AYES: Quarles, Spisz, Taub, Weipert, Woodward, Zack, Berman, Bowman, Crawford, Dwyer, Fleming, Gershenson, Gingell, Hoffman, Jackson, Kochenderfer, Long, McGillivray, Middleton. (19)

NAYS: None. (0)

A sufficient majority having voted in favor, the resolution was adopted.

MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTION #17189

BY: Commissioner Michael Gingell, District #1

IN RE: BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – DISSOLUTION OF THE OAKLAND COUNTY FRIEND OF THE COURT CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

To the Oakland County Board of Commissioners

Chairperson, Ladies and Gentlemen:

WHEREAS the Oakland County Friend of the Court Citizens Advisory Committee was created by the Board of Commissioners on November 21, 2001; and

WHEREAS the Oakland County Friend of the Court Citizens Advisory Committee is currently only one of three such committees operating in the state; and

WHEREAS the purpose of the Oakland County Friend of the Court Citizens Advisory Committee is to advise the Chief Circuit Court Judge and the Board of Commissioners regarding the Friend of the Court's duties and performance and to review certain grievances limited to office operations and gender bias. The Committee does not have any power or authority over local Friend of the Court operations or recommendations to the court or court decisions and the Committee cannot intervene in individual cases; and

WHEREAS this limited function is confusing to court litigants who often seek the assistance of the committee in challenging a court decision; and