

TOWN OF SOUTH WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

At a meeting duly convened and held on June 22, 2005, upon motion of the Chairperson, duly seconded and unanimously approved by all Members, The Economic Development Commission of the Town of South Windsor, Connecticut (Economic Development Commission), hereby approves the following Resolutions:

WHEREAS in its May 2005 "Base Closure and Realignment Report" (Report) to the Base Relocation and Closure Commission (BRAC Commission) the U.S. Department of Defense (Department of Defense) recommended closure of the U.S. Naval Submarine base in New London, Connecticut (New London Submarine Base); and

WHEREAS in its Report the Department of Defense states that the Norwich-New London, Connecticut Metropolitan Statistical Area will lose 15,808 jobs, or 9.4% of its present employment, as a result of the New London Submarine Base closure; and

WHEREAS, with due respect to the Department of Defense, and especially with the highest regard for our sons and daughters presently serving in our U.S. military forces, the Economic Development Commission states that closure of the New London Submarine Base will not contribute to the overall effectiveness of our U.S. military forces but rather detract therefrom; and

WHEREAS closure of the New London Submarine Base and the resulting loss of a minimum of 15,808 jobs will have a devastating effect on the economy of the Norwich-New London Metropolitan Area and the entire State of Connecticut.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it respectfully resolved by the South Windsor Economic Development Commission of the Town of South Windsor.

RESOLVED, that the BRAC Commission consider the detrimental effect which closure of the New London Submarine Base will have on our Nation's Military forces and their capabilities.

RESOLVED, that the BRAC Commission consider the devastating effect which closure of the New London Submarine Base will have on the economy and economic development of the Norwich-New London Metropolitan Area and the entire State of Connecticut, including the Town of South Windsor and many of the businesses located herein.

RESOLVED, that the South Windsor Economic Development Commission hereby respectfully requests that the BRAC Commission disregard the Department of Defense's recommendation of closure of the New London Submarine Base and keep the Base open.

South Windsor Economic Development Commission

Marjorie S. Anthony, Chairperson  
South Windsor, Connecticut  
June 22, 2005