

**CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, FLORIDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 20-09**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, FLORIDA  
PLEDGING TO WORK COOPERATIVELY WITH THE BAY  
DEFENSE ALLIANCE, THE FLORIDA DEFENSE ALLIANCE  
AND THE FLORIDA DEFENSE SUPPORT TASK FORCE IN  
SUPPORT OF F35A AND MQ9 WING BED-DOWNS.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Springfield gratefully acknowledges the commitment by the U.S. Air Force to rebuild Tyndall AFB, Florida as a next-generation installation supporting up to four (4) squadrons of F-35 operational aircraft and an operational RPA (Remotely Piloted Aircraft) wing with both a MCE (Mission control Element) and a LRE (Launch and Recovery Element) with twenty-four (24) aircraft; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Air Force depends on the support of the surrounding communities to ensure access to resilient utilities, stormwater and transportation infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bay County community and the City of Springfield shall endeavor to provide military members and their families access to quality schools, diverse housing options, outstanding medical care, spousal employment opportunities, recreational amenities and other key quality of life factors;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, FLORIDA:**

**1. The City of Springfield does hereby pledge to fully support:**

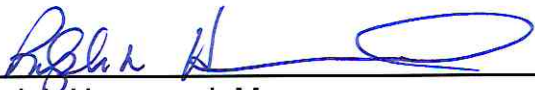
- the bed-down of F-35A operational aircraft at Tyndall Air Force Base as described in the draft Environmental Impact Statement;
- the addition of a Remotely Piloted Aircraft wing to include a MCE and a LRE wing with twenty-four (24) aircraft;
- the presence and contribution to the national defense of Tyndall Air Force Base tenant units and commands, including, but not limited to, the F-22 Formal Training Unit, the AFCEC (Air Force Civil Engineering Center), the AFNORTH (Air Forces Northern), CONR (Continental NORAD Region), the 601<sup>st</sup> (six hundred and first) Air Operations Center, the 53<sup>rd</sup> (fifty-third) WEG (Weapons Evaluation Group), the 337<sup>th</sup> (three hundred thirty-seventh) Air Control Squadron, the General Lori Robinson Air Battle Manager Schoolhouse, the 823<sup>rd</sup> (eight hundred twenty-third) Red Horse Detachment 1 (one) and others;

2. **The City of Springfield does hereby pledge to continue to work cooperatively with:**

- the Bay Defense Alliance, the Florida Defense Alliance, the Florida Defense Support Task Force, and the base and community leadership to ensure Bay County and Florida installations will have the resources and outstanding community support necessary to assure the success of missions contribution to the National Defense Strategy.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020.

**CITY OF SPRINGFIELD**

  
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Ralph Hammond, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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Teresa Cox, City Clerk