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The Honorable Elaine Scruggs
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Dear Mayor Scruggs:

The Board of Fighter Country Partnership (FCP) unanimously passed a Board Resolution today in support of the decision to assign the F-35 and its training mission to Luke Air Force Base, Arizona.

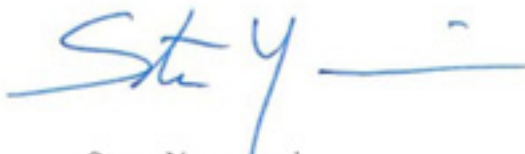
Supporting the men, women and mission of Luke is the purpose of our organization. Ensuring the long-term viability and sustainability of the training mission is our mission. One we have been doing both proudly and effectively for almost three decades.

Luke is uniquely positioned to successfully train the next generation's fighter pilots. Arizona's year-round, reliable flying weather and distinctive environment, as well as the statewide policy and statutory requirements that ensure responsible land-use planning and access to the Barry M. Goldwater Range give Luke Air Force Base an obvious advantage over any other installation under consideration. Additionally, the strong, visible community support of Luke, child development centers, Base exchange, commissary and nationally acclaimed medical facilities provide a quality of life second to none to Luke's 8,000 plus airmen and civilian employees.

On behalf of our 300 members, the Board of Directors, our Honorary Commanders, staff and community, we believe Luke is the only reasonable choice for the F-35 Training Mission.

Please be assured that we will support this effort to assign the F-35 training mission to Luke Air Force Base with every resource available.

Sincerely,



Steve Yamamori
Executive Director and CEO
Fighter Country Partnership



Charley Freericks
Chairman of the Board
Fighter Country Partnership

