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The Honorable Elaine Scruggs
City of Glendale
5850 West Glendale
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Dear Luke Air Force Base Supporters:

Hugh Hallman
Mayor

The City of Tempe understands and supports the importance of Luke's mission to our nation's defense and supports the F-35 training being added to that mission.

Shana Ellis
Vice Mayor

As the United States Air Force's largest wing base, Luke Air Force Base plays a critical role in protecting our nation's defense and security. In addition to its vital role in protecting freedom, the base is undeniably one of the biggest keys to the economic viability of this region.

P. Ben Arredondo
Councilmember

Mark W. Mitchell
Councilmember

The military operations of Luke and the businesses those operations support provide substantial, stable, sustainable employment for this region, creating thousands of jobs, billions of dollars of economic activity and hundreds of millions of dollars of state and local tax revenue. The economic impact of Luke benefits all businesses, from home-based businesses to large corporations, and serves as an important building block in the recovery of this region's overall economy.

Joel Navarro
Councilmember

Onnie Shekerjian
Councilmember

Corey D. Woods
Councilmember

The selection of Luke Air Force Base as the training site for the new F-35 will continue the training missions vital to our Air Force pilot program and our nation's security, assert LAFB's continued status as the premier fighter training base in the world, and provide critical economic activity in this region for decades to come.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Hugh Hallman', written over a horizontal line.

Hugh Hallman
Mayor