



August 21, 2009

City of Glendale
Mayor Elaine Scruggs
5850 W. Glendale Ave.
Glendale, AZ 85301

Dear Mayor Scruggs:

As the Executive Director of the West Maricopa County Regional Association of REALTORS®, I would like to express my appreciation for your support of Luke Air Force Base in its efforts to become a bed down base for the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter. As you know, Luke Air Force Base is a vital part of the West Valley economy. If the base becomes a bed down base for the F-35, we believe the base will more than likely remain open, and thus, continue providing valuable jobs in the west valley. West Valley REALTORS® understand the importance of the base remaining open because they help base employees buy and sell homes on a regular basis.

Therefore, it is with great disappointment that we have learned that El Mirage has been lobbying against the base's very existence. In a time of economy recession, the last thing the West Valley should do is discourage a recession-proof economic engine like Luke from remaining open and productive. We have over 6,000 members, so please let us know if our organization can be of assistance in your efforts to support Luke Air Force Base's efforts to become a bed down base for the F-35.

Sincerely,

Roger Nelson
Executive Director

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