



The Honorable Elaine Scruggs
Mayor
City of Glendale
5850 West Glendale Avenue
Glendale, AZ 85301

Mr. Charley Freericks
Chairman
Fighter Country Partnership
500 N. Estrella Parkway, Suite B2
Goodyear, AZ 85338

Dear Mayor Scruggs and Mr. Freericks:

WESTMARC is proud to submit this letter in support for the selection of Luke Air Force Base as the location for the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter Training program.

Luke Air Force Base is a vital part of Western Maricopa County's history and its very identity. With an economic impact of more than \$2 billion, Luke Air Force Base is also a key economic driver for our region and the state of Arizona. The addition of the F-35 program would result in significant job creation and investment, and serve as a great source of pride for the people of the West Valley.

WESTMARC's Board of Directors and our entire membership are committed to promoting Luke Air Force Base as a core part of our mission. As always, please let us know if we can provide any further assistance.

Sincerely,

Michelle Rider
President and CEO