

RESOLUTION NO. 7650

**CITY OF SOUTH GATE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE
OPPOSING THE CLOSURE OR RELOCATION OF THE LOS ANGELES AIR
FORCE BASE AND THE SPACE AND MISSILE SYSTEMS CENTER**

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Air Force Base (LAAFB) and the Space and Missile Systems Center (SMC) are vitally important to both our national security and our nation's aerospace industry; and

WHEREAS, the greater Los Angeles region is the nation's top location for aerospace and defense companies including Northrop Grumman, Lockheed Martin, Boeing, Raytheon, and Honeywell, as well as, Aerospace Corporation which is physically connected to LAAFB and home to more small and mid-sized companies than anywhere else in the country; and

WHEREAS, the region supports over 63,000 jobs with an unmatched export capability, skilled workforce, and expansive supplier base; and

WHEREAS, this localized, highly skilled workforce is essential to the success of the LAAFB and the SMC and has time and again proven itself crucial to the defense of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, if the LAAFB and SMC are closed or downsized, this skilled workforce would be unlikely to migrate anywhere else; and

WHEREAS, proximity to a significantly large aerospace and defense ecosystem of companies coupled with an unmatched skilled workforce available only in Los Angeles provides LAAFB with unparalleled built-in benefits to advance our nation's defense mission; and

WHEREAS, the City of South Gate has consistently supported the LAAFB by passing a similar resolution opposing the closure and relocation of the base in 2004; and

WHEREAS, our national security, regional economy, and national supply chain would be greatly harmed by the closing or downsizing of either the LAAFB or SMC;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby expresses its firm support for the Los Angeles Air Force Base, and opposes any relocation attempt of the Air Force Base and the Space and Missile

Systems Center, which would be detrimental to the national defense and the mission of the Los Angeles Air Force Base.

SECTION 2. That the President and Congress of the United States of America be respectfully requested to support the continued operation and maintenance of LAAFB at its current location in Los Angeles County, California.

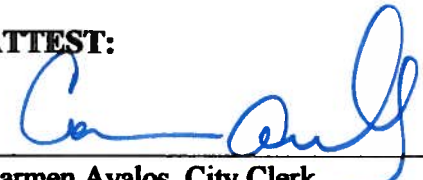
SECTION 3. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution which shall be effective upon its adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 24th day of February, 2015.

CITY OF SOUTH GATE:



Henry C. Gonzalez, Mayor

ATTEST:


Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Raul F. Salinas City Attorney

RESOLUTION CERTIFICATION PAGE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) SS
CITY OF SOUTH GATE)

I, Carmen Avalos, City Clerk of the City of South Gate, California, hereby certify that the whole number of Members of the City Council of said City is five; that Resolution No. 7650 was adopted by the City Council at their Regular Meeting held on February 24, 2015, by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members: Gonzalez, Morales, Davila, De Witt and Hurtado

Noes: Council Members: None

Absent: Council Members: None

Abstain: Council Members: None

Witness my hand and the seal of said City on March 9, 2015.



**Carmen Avalos, City Clerk
City of South Gate, California**