



Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 867

OFFICE OF THE
MAYOR
CITY OF SAN LUIS

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SAN LUIS, ARIZONA, SUPPORTING
THE DESIGNATION OF MARINE CORPS AIR STATION YUMA AS THE
PRIMARY SITE FOR BASING AND TRAINING MARINE CORPS F-35
JOINT STRIKE FIGHTER SQUADRONS**

Whereas, the City Council of the city of San Luis has actively supported the United States Department of Defense military missions act MCAS Yuma; and

Whereas, MCAS Yuma is one of the Marine Corps' premier training bases with a primary admission to support Atlantic and Pacific Fleet Marine Force and Navy; and

Whereas, the Department of Defense has developed a new fighter aircraft, the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter; and

Whereas, MCAS Yuma has been selected as a contingent interim F-35 Joint Strike Fighter Pilot Training Center; and

Whereas, MCAS Yuma is being considered as a primary site for basing and training the Marine Corps F-35 Joint Strike Fighter squadrons; and

Whereas, the natural and geographic assets in or near Yuma County distinguished MCAS from all other potential training sites for this new aircraft; and

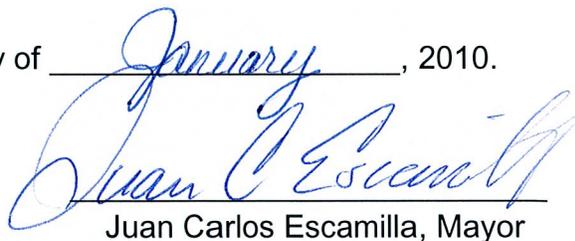
Whereas, its location in the Desert Southwest and proximity to the Barry M. Goldwater Range and the Chocolate Mountain Range makes MCAS Yuma uniquely positioned to provide high quality training in a variety of conditions; and

Whereas, ideal flying whether the hundreds of miles of restricted airspace, at large real training ranges in no encroachment issues will ensure mission viability of the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter at MCAS Yuma well into the future; and

Whereas, Yuma County and the City of Yuma has strongly supported the MCAS Yuma mission with strong land use planning over many years and has recognized its importance to the nation and to the local community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Luis that the City of San Luis supports and strongly encourages the Department of Defense, Congress, and the Administration to designate Marine Corps Air Station Yuma as the primary site for basing and training Marine Corps F-35 Joint Strike Fighter squadrons, and encourages other jurisdictions in Yuma County and the State of Arizona to join them in supporting MCAS Yuma and the primary site for such basing and training.

Passed and adopted this 13th day of January, 2010.


Juan Carlos Escamilla, Mayor

Attest:



Sonia Cuello
City Clerk

Approved as to form:


Glenn Gimbut
City Attorney