

ENROLLED SENATE
CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 21

By: Herbert, Brown, Cain, Campbell,
Capps, Dickerson, Douglass,
Dunlap, Easley, Fair, Fisher,
Ford, Gustafson, Haney, Harrison,
Helton, Hendrick, Henry, Hobson,
Horner, Kerr, Laughlin, Leftwich,
Littlefield, Long, Maddox, Martin,
Mickle, Milacek, Monson, Morgan,
Muegge, Price, Rabon, Roberts,
Robinson, Rozell, Shurden, Smith,
Snyder, Stipe, Taylor, Weedn,
Wilcoxson, Wilkerson, Williams,
Williamson and Wright of the
Senate

and

Case, Kirby, Covey, Liotta, Adair,
Adkins, Askins, Bastin, Begley,
Benson, Beutler, Blackburn, Bonny,
Boyd (Betty), Boyd (Laura),
Braddock, Bryant, Claunch,
Coleman, Collins, Cox, Culver,
Dank, Davis, Deutschendorf,
Dunegan, Easley, Eddins, Ervin,
Erwin, Ferguson, Fields, Frame,
Gilbert, Glover, Graves, Gray,
Greenwood, Hager, Hamilton,
Hastings, Hefner, Hiatt, Hilliard,
Hutchison, Ingmire, Key, Kinnamon,
Kouba, Langmacher, Leist, Lindley,
Maddux, Mass, Matlock, McCarter,
Miller, Mitchell, Morgan, Newport,
O'Neal, Ostrander, Paulk, Perry,
Pettigrew, Phillips, Plunk, Pope
(Clay), Pope (Tim), Ramsey, Reese,
Rice, Roach, Roberts, Ross,
Sadler, Satterfield, Seikel,
Settle, Smith (Dale), Smith
(Hopper), Staggs, Stanley,
Steidley, Stites, Sullivan (John),
Sullivan (Leonard), Taylor,
Thomas, Thornbrugh, Toure, Turner,
Tyler, Vaughn, Voskuhl, Weaver,
Webb, Weese, Wells, Wilt and
Worthen of the House

A Concurrent Resolution declaring state legislative support
for Tinker Air Force Base; requesting the United States
Department of Defense not to initiate additional base
closings until the results of the previous closures are
implemented; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, in 1993, the Oklahoma City Air Logistics Center at Tinker Air Force Base (AFB) was in danger of being placed on the closure list of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission (BRAC). After extensive hearings and research by both the United States Air Force and the congressional General Accounting Office (GAO), BRAC recommended the closure of two Air Logistics Centers (ALCs) at Kelly AFB and McClellan AFB. Their depot level maintenance work was to be transferred to the remaining ALCs, including Oklahoma City Air Logistics Center at Tinker Air Force Base. However, it appears that instead of following these recommendations, a proposal has been made to "privatize-in-place", keeping these centers open and operational. We have now heard of new proposals to resume the BRAC process despite the lack of progress in complying with previous closures; and

WHEREAS, United States Senators Don Nickles and James M. Inhofe, as well as Congressman J.C. Watts, have called upon the United States Department of Defense to delay any initiative to recommend additional rounds of BRAC closures until the Department of Defense complies with the recommendations of previous BRACs; and

WHEREAS, in May 1993, the Oklahoma State Legislature adopted Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 26 which declared legislative support for the Oklahoma City Air Logistics Center at Tinker Air Force Base; memorialized the federal government to keep the Air Logistics Center at Tinker Air Force Base open and operating at full capacity; and directed distribution to the Oklahoma Congressional Delegation, the President of the United States, the Secretary of Defense and the Chair of the BRAC Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 46TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature declares its support for Tinker Air Force Base and its operation at full capacity.

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature requests the United States Department of Defense not to initiate additional base closings until the results of the previous BRAC recommendations are implemented.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the President of the United States, the Secretary of the United States Department of Defense, and the Oklahoma Congressional Delegation.

Adopted by the Senate the 29th day of May, 1997.

President of the Senate

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 23rd day of May, 1997.

Speaker of the House of Representatives