

RESOLUTION NUMBER 4785

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
PERRIS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF
CALIFORNIA, IN SUPPORT FOR MARCH AIR RESERVE
BASE AND NAVAL SURFACE WARFARE CENTER
CORONA**

WHEREAS, the United States Navy's Naval Surface Warfare Center, Corona Division and March Air Reserve Base are located in the County of Riverside, California; and

WHEREAS, the United States Navy's Naval Surface Warfare Center, Corona Division is a major employer in the Southern California Region and a major contributor to the region's economy; and

WHEREAS, March Air Reserve Base is a major employer in the Southern California region and a major contributor to the region's economy; and

WHEREAS, combined, these two military installations located in Riverside County, California generate an annual pay roll approaching \$1 billion dollars for local workers in the civilian and military workforces at both bases; and

WHEREAS, Defense Department contracts in Riverside County and its twenty-eight cities combined for \$5 billion in direct payment from the federal govern to nine hundred small business owners, which in turn creates thousands of direct and indirect jobs in our region; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Secretary of Defense of the United States of America has repeatedly recommended the Senate and Congress authorize the closing of military bases domestically and abroad; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Secretary of Defense of the United States of America has specifically requested that another Base Realignment and Closure Commission be authorized in the near future to close military bases across the nation and around the globe; and

WHEREAS, March Air Reserve Base and Naval Surface Warfare Center, Corona Division are assets to the United States Armed Forces and both installations provide unique missions in support of our national security and disaster response that make the bases ideal to be used as national models for military and defense missions, and

WHEREAS, both installations have been reviewed by prior Base Realignment and Closure Commissions resulting in March Air Force Base being reduced to a Reserve

Installation and Naval Surface Warfare Center, Corona Division also being impacted adversely;
and

WHEREAS, the reuse of lands outside the cantonment area of March Air Reserve Base has not progressed for a variety of reasons related to the Great Recession and lack of capitol availability for financing; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Perris, California, as follows:

Section 1. The City of Perris supports the County of Riverside Board of Supervisors and its Office of Military and defense Services in opposition to another round of Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) as it related to the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Corona Division and March Air Reserve Base. We respect that our federal representatives in the Senate and the House also opposed any cuts, reductions, realignment or mission and resources assigned to these two installations. Furthermore, the City of Perris is also opposed to the elimination or realignment of military and civilian jobs at the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Corona Division and March Air Reserve Base. These jobs and missions of the Military Department of the State of California, and the Active Duty and State and Federal Reserve forces are assets to the communities they serve and play a leading role in keeping our nation safe and secure.

ADOPTED, SIGNED and **APPROVED** this 24th day of November, 2014.

Mayor, Daryl R. Busch

ATTEST:

City Clerk, Nancy Salazar

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE) §
CITY OF PERRIS)

I, Nancy Salazar, CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF PERRIS, CALIFORNIA, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution Number 4785 was duly and regularly adopted by the City Council of the City of Perris at a regular meeting held the 24^h day of November, 2014, by the following called vote:

AYES: YARBROUGH, LANDERS, RODRIGUEZ, ROGERS, BUSCH

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

City Clerk, Nancy Salazar