

Wabash County Commissioners


Courthouse—Wabash, IN 46992

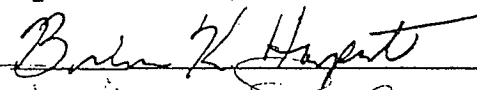
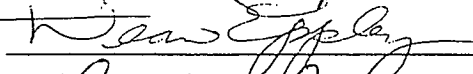
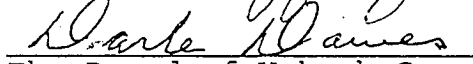
Resolution 1994-1

- WHEREAS: It is projected that \$127 billion will be cut from the Defense Budget over the next five years.
- WHEREAS: These cuts will result in a significant reduction in the number of military bases across the country as the military continues to consolidate their activities for cost efficiency.
- WHEREAS: That in these times of fiscal constraint, it is imperative that the Department of Defense make sound financial decisions that will continue to allow this nation to pursue our national security interests.
- WHEREAS: That United States Air Force and the National Guard Bureau have determined that converting the 122nd Fighter Wing in Fort Wayne, Indiana from F-16s to KC-135E and redesignating the unit the 122nd Air Refuelling Wing to be in the best interest of this nation.
- WHEREAS: That this conversion will require that a total of \$27.3 million to be spent at the Fort Wayne airport to construct runway, apron, hangar, maintenance and refuelling facilities in order to accept the KC-135E aircraft.
- WHEREAS: That less than 60 ground miles away, Grissom Air Force Base has the facilities to house, maintain, and operate up to 50 KC-135 aircraft, to include 6 nose docks, an apron refuelling system, extensive apron parking space and runway capable of handling all aircraft in the Air Force inventory.
- WHEREAS: That currently the 434th Wing of the Air Force Reserve operates only 20 KC-135 aircraft from Grissom Air Force Base and could easily accommodate the aircraft from the 122nd Air Refuelling Wing without significant additional expense.
- WHEREAS: That the 122nd Air Refuelling Wing should be located at Grissom Air Force Base as a cost effective alternative to upgrading the facilities at Baer Field without a degradation in the national security of this nation.

Approved and signed on this the 28th day of March, 1994.

ATTEST:


Jean Gilbert
Wabash County Auditor




The Board of Wabash County
Commissioners