Background

The adoption of the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Commission Final Report into Public Law will realign some military medical activities currently located at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center (WRAMC) in D.C. will be relocated to the National Naval Medical Center (NNMC), to be renamed as the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center (WRNMMC) in September 2011. This realignment will result in the addition of approximately 1,200 hospital staff to Montgomery County, and a potential increase of over 400,000 patients and visitors to the base each year.

The Department of Defense Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA) administers the Defense Economic Adjustment Program and may assist local governments in planning community adjustments required by the expansion of the military installation.

OEA recommends that the affected local governments establish a single community task force to identify community impacts from the expansion, as well as coordinate initial assessments of important BRAC-related community issues.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that effective February 23, 2007, the WRNMMC BRAC Implementation Task Force is established as an Executive Committee as follows:

A. Purpose

1. The Task Force will have the following purposes:

- Serve as a clearinghouse for timely and accurate information on the BRAC expansion project at the NNMC campus.
- Provide leadership and build consensus within the community to coalesce diverse interests and address stakeholder issues.
- Provide an opportunity for interaction and information sharing among representatives of the military, the government, and the residents.
- Insure that all issues with community impact are addressed in a comprehensive planning context.
- Insure that impacts on the community are adequately addressed, and quality of life is maintained for NNMC employees, patients, visitors and neighbors.
- Coordinate federal, state and local regulatory and funding efforts to insure that appropriate resources are used to achieve community goals.
B. Composition

1. The Task Force will be composed of agency representatives, and community representatives. State and local elected officials, as well as military representatives, will be appointed as ex-officio members.

2. The Executive appoints the following members of the Task Force:

Agency Representatives

- Arthur Holmes, Director, Montgomery County DPWT
- Melanie Wenger, Director, Montgomery County Office of Intergovernmental Relations
- Sam Minnette, Director, MD Department of Transportation, Office of Planning
- Ron Linton, Montgomery County WMATA Representative
- Royce Hanson, Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board

Community Representatives

- John Carman, Rodgers Consulting, Chair
- Representative, Board of Directors, Bethesda Urban Partnership
- Representative, Greater Bethesda-Chevy Chase Chamber of Commerce
- Daniel Wheeland, Director, Office of Research Facilities, NIH
- Patricia Aiken-O’Neill, Chair, Board of Trustees, Stone Ridge Academy
- Brian Gragnolati, President and CEO, Suburban Hospital
- Chuck Floyd, Security Solutions Technology
- Representative, Western Montgomery County Citizen Advisory Board
- Representative, East Bethesda Citizens Association
- Representative, Glenbrook Village Homeowners Association
- Representative, Bethesda Parkview Citizens Association
- Representative, Chevy Chase Valley Citizens Association
- Representative, Chevy Chase Hills Civic Association
- Representative, Lotus Hill Citizens Association
Military Representatives (ex-officio members)

- BRAC Officer-in-charge, National Naval Medical Center
- Lead BRAC Engineer, National Naval Medical Center
- Captain David Wade, Walter Reed Army Medical Center

State and Local Elected and Appointed Officials (ex-officio members)

- Brian Frosh, Senator, District 16
- William Bronrott, Delegate, District 16
- Barbara Mikulski, U.S. Senator
- Benjamin Cardin, U.S. Senator
- Chris Van Hollen, Member, U.S. House of Representatives
- Albert Wynn, Member, U.S. House of Representatives
- Roger Berliner, District 1 representative, Montgomery County Council

C. Administrative Support

Primary administrative support will be provided to the BRAC Implementation Task Force by the BRAC Coordinator, located in the Offices of the County Executive. A staff technical working group will also be available to provide information and support on specific issues associated with the BRAC impacts. A core group, as defined below, is recognized for its support role. Staff from other agencies may be requested to provide information or assistance to the group as it progresses.

- Judy Daniel, Community Based Planning, M-NCPPC
- Shahriar Etemadi, Transportation Planning, M-NCPPC
- David Moss, Montgomery County, DPWT
- Sarah Miller, Montgomery County DED
- Representative, Department of Housing and Community Affairs
- Wayne Jerman, Department of Police, Second District
- Tom Carr, Montgomery County, DFRS
- Gordon Aoyagi, Director, Montgomery County Homeland Security
- Jennifer Barrett, Director, Department of Finance
- Ron Spalding, Maryland Department of Transportation (DOT) Office of Planning
- Stephanie Yanovitz, State Highway Administration
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- Mike Madden, MD Transit Administration
- Richard Grant, MD, Department of Business and Economic Development, Capital Region
- Deborah Snead, Director, Bethesda-Chevy Chase Regional Services Center
- Lisa Rother, Offices of the County Executive
- Sandi Brecher, Montgomery County Commuter Services
- Ellyn Goldkind, National Capital Planning Commission

D. Duration.
The Implementation Committee is expected to complete its work no later than September 15, 2011. This is the date by which the BRAC implementation is mandated to be complete.

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County Executive

Approved as to form and legality:

Marc P. Hansen
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