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The Honorable Martin Heinrich
Chairman
Military Construction, Veterans Affairs,
and Related Agencies Sub-Committee
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable John Boozman
Ranking Member
Military Construction, Veterans Affairs,
and Related Agencies Sub-Committee
Committee on Appropriations
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Dear Chairman Heinrich and Ranking Member Boozman:

Thank you for your continued leadership on the Senate Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Subcommittee. As you finalize the Fiscal Year 2022 Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, I respectfully request that you fund the construction of the South Wilmot Gate at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base.

Davis-Monthan Air Force Base is in the City of Tucson, with entrances located in close proximity to fast-growing communities in the southeast portions of Tucson. Current entrances to Davis-Monthan AFB are located in high traffic areas, creating delays in accessing base facilities and undermining base security. For years, the City of Tucson, Pima County, and the Pima Association of Governments have worked closely with Air Force staff to develop the South Wilmot Gate project. This project would construct an improved, high-capacity installation gate and commercial vehicle inspection station on the south side of the base.

Given the significant benefits this project provides to both Davis-Monthan AFB and the surrounding community, I ask that full funding for the Wilmot Gate project be included in the FY22 Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill.

Thank you for your important work and. I appreciate your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

