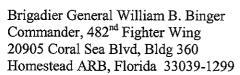
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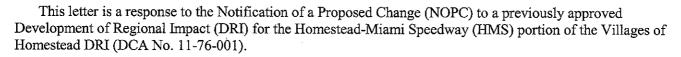
## DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE AIR FORCE RESERVE COMMAND

20 April 2010



Ms. Carolyn Dekle **Executie Director** South Florida Regional Planning Council 3440 Hollywood Blvd., Suite 140 Hollywood, FL 33021-6900

Dear Ms. Dekle,



Homestead Air Reserve Base (ARB) is generally supportive of the proposed expansion at HMS. However, as shown in Figure 5.3, DRI Areas and Sectors, of HMS's NOPC, the proposed HMS ERI expansion extends within the area of Homestead ARB's south western Accident Potential Zone (APZ) II. See attachment 1. These APZ's are designed to protect the health, safety, welfare of the surrounding community in the event of mishaps within these areas. The proposed expansion indicates these areas would consist primarily of surface parking lots to be used in conjunction with major events at HMS which is consistent with recommended allowable uses within an APZ II.

However, as part of this expansion, HMS has requested an adjustment to the Miami-Dade County Comprehensive Development Master Plan (CDMP) Map to expand the Urban Development Boundary (UDB) to include the expansion and re-designate the property from Agricultural to Business and Office. Many of the uses allowed under the Business and Office designation will not be compatible with safety requirements set forth within an APZ II zone if developed as such in the future. See the following web site for a copy of our 2007 AICUZ report: http://www.homestead.afrc.af.mil/library/susops/index.asp

Therefore, Homestead ARB respectfully requests that HMS modify its application to avoid expansion of the UDB into the APZ II zone and that Miami-Dade continue to support the current Class IV Speical Permit that allows for parking. Homestead ARB believes this approach ensures that the proposed expansion and its associated economic benefits for the City of Homestead and HMS will occur while preserving both the growth management objectives of Miami-Dade County as well as the safety considerations as a result of the ongoing and potential military flying activities at Homestead ARB.

If you have any additional questions or comments in regards to this letter, please contact Larry Ventura at (305) 224-7163.

Sincerely,

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## Homestead ARB Area of Concern

