

Veldran, Lisa

From: Liz Walker <lizweave4@charter.net>
Sent: Friday, March 27, 2020 6:43 PM
To: All Alders; safeskiescleanwaterwi@gmail.com
Subject: I oppose F-35s at Truax

Dear Madison Alders,

As a resident of Madison, I categorically oppose the siting of F-35 military jets at Truax Air Force Base. They would cause devastating noise pollution and spread PFAS toxins, adversely affecting low-income neighborhoods and schools. Because F-35s carry nuclear payloads, they would put all of Madison at grave risk as a target for a nuclear strike by our adversaries.

In the midst of an unprecedented pandemic when government spending should be focused on containing the coronavirus outbreak, taking care of the sick, and helping average Americans suffering greatly at this time, it is folly to spend trillions on the unnecessary and ill-conceived F-35 jet program. I urge you, who are responsible for the welfare of all Madisonians, to staunchly oppose siting F-35s at Truax.

Sincerely,

Liz Walker

(District 2; Alder Heck)

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From: Scott Strong <Scott.Strong@risewisconsin.org>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 10:49 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Action

Dear Members of the Madison City Council,

We at RISE are writing to urge you to take action against the stationing of F-35s at Truax airfield. RISE is a community non-profit providing a variety of mental health and early childhood focused programs and services to our community. We are firm in our belief that the F-35s would have a devastating impact on the safety, health, and wellbeing of our community.

The Environmental Impact Study conducted by the Air Force states plainly that the noise impact of the F-35s would render over 1,000 homes in Madison "incompatible with residential use". This noise pollution would affect numerous dwellings, as well as multiple elementary schools, East High School, and a major location of Madison College. In addition to the significant effects of the noise, our city has already felt the impact of PFAS, which would only increase should the F-35s come to Madison. The harmful impact of these chemicals is well-established. PFAS chemicals are notorious for contaminating drinking water supplies across the U.S. and are harmful to nearly every human organ. The immune system is particularly vulnerable to their effects, which poses an especially deadly risk in the midst of the current COVID-19 pandemic. As an organization that takes an intergenerational and family-focused approach to recovery and wellness, we are extremely concerned about the impact of these pollutants across the lifespan.

RISE is deeply connected with the North Side. It is home to one of our two primary locations where we provide a spectrum of supportive services to families of young children who represent the future of our community. It is our mission to promote our community's ability to thrive, and we see the arrival of the F-35s as directly at odds with this mission.

In recent months and years, the Madison City Council has expressed commitment to righting the racial disparities within our community, and to combatting the impact of poverty on those living within our community. This decision is a clear opportunity to make good on this commitment. It is well known that the majority of those whose living, learning, and work spaces would be impacted are People of Color and people who have low income. We implore you to use your power to stand against a move that would push a huge population of vulnerable community members out of their homes and have a catastrophic impact on their lives.

Sincerely,

Scott

Scott S. Strong
Executive Director

RISE

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From: Araceli Esparza <wisconsinmujer@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 1:27 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: I am in support of Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown.

I live in the affected area, and I support this resolution. Please help people like me who live in the Hawthorne neighborhood zone 1 not have to suffer from the environmental damage F35s will bring if the base is here.

Thanks!

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Araceli Esparza, Founder of Wisconsin Mujer, LLC
A Social Media Engagement Company for Women and Marginalized Communities

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From: Dan Cox <dragonflyte1@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 6:29 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: NO f-35s\ & /NO Air Natl. Guard_

To All Alders:

I was born, raised, & have lived in Madison as a homeowner for 63 Of my 70 years. I grew up on the Eastside, and currently own a home a block away from the "affected zone". I, as a concerned citizen, speak for those whom will be subject to environmental pollution of air, water, and noise. I have been a longtime Activist for People, Planet, and Wildlife since the 60s. What does it take to have More of a reason for Genuine Concern of Humanity beyond the Pandemonic that We All being subject to on the peripherals of 'proper' distancing? We are listening to the voices of Respected Medical Science here, (NOT the gvt. that lagged in action, (and being prepared) along with blatant misinformation, and, (Even Again!) refuting Science-based fact!)

We, Your *Trusting* 'constituents', who have put You in office to Serve And Protect The People's Rights and Safety ... (that taxes pay for Your Families, and insurance to provide 'security' of mind and Wellness), may be a contributing faction of a (seemingly) Closed-minded/hearted, governMEnt employees, that obviously have Disregarded a Knowingly Perceptive populous, while thru hastily passing bills that have hidden 'riders' buried within them, that the general public has not even a voice in, nor for the majority of the Time, is even aware of! We, as an Enlightened, informed public, see that these 'practices' are as Inappropriate and Counterproductive, as the Greed in legislators that allow corrupt, gerrymandering lobbyists, that are sadly, *monetarily* 'influencing' a Broken system, and Destroying Our Fragile World, that We, The People, are struggling to live in. (IMHO_)

There IS a TRUTH of SCIENCE here in this matter of giving in to a furthered military presence that has been embedded in Madison's history since the Army Air Force basing in 1942, in bringing a 'toxic' element of an ongoing, FAR-from-perfect technology, Well-over-budgeted, Most Expensive military program in history_ (\$1.5 Trillion) to be forced upon residents in Our Community. From PFAs to excessive noise&air pollution, this IS Scientifically Detrimental to a populous in a residential area. F-35s *Should* be based FAR out in rural areas!

In closing, I implore Your Humanity, Sense of Dignity, and Social Pride, to Stand Up and Speak Up for All that Is Righteous for Community, Our World and All whom Cohabit! It Is Time for Madison to become a TRULY PEACEFUL&PROGRESSIVE, Model City.

Sincerely, DJ Cox_
Madison, Wisconsin

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From: m.mk@juno.com
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 8:28 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to the community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.

There are statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.

The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.

Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thank you.

--Mark M Giese
1520 Bryn Mawr Ave
Racine, WI 53403

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From: Jacob L Perlman <jacob.l.perl@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 8:33 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Resolution

Dear Alders,

I am a neighbor living down on Dahle Street, in one of the neighborhoods that would be harmed if the military chooses Truax to bed its F-35s. I've read the report that the military put out about the potential impact of the birds. I am worried for my neighborhood, my kid, and the kids I work with at Emerson and Sandburg elementary. Kids shouldn't have to stay inside to play. Please encourage the military to bed these planes elsewhere, somewhere a bit more remote.

Thanks for your consideration,

Jacob L. Perlman

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From: Jason Gullett <jason.a.gullett@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 8:38 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Decision

Hi All,

I am writing to you in support of the proposition banning use of the F-35s. It is going to displace my neighbors and friends, and is an extreme health concern for those frankly living in Madisons most diverse neighborhoods. Thank you for your time.

Jason Gullett

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From: Megan Mrozek <meganmrozek@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 8:40 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Email expressing support for the Common Council's resolution

Greetings,

My name is Megan Mrozek and I am a resident of Madison's 12th District. I am writing you to ask that you support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown". I am in agreement with the following statements expressed by Safe Skies Clean Water Wisconsin:

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

I'm sure you have received many emails wherein these same statements have been copied and pasted, but I share and believe the sentiments expressed here, and I hope you heed our request. Thank you,

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Megan Mrozek
(815)-990-3702

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From: Dana Churness <danachurness@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 8:44 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Dear Common Council, I am writing in support of the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown." To be clear:

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Dana Churness
Licensed Midwife
Herbster, WI
danachurness@gmail.com

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From: Jeanne Trotter <geoj3203@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 8:48 PM
To: All Alders

Stop stop stop the Flyers! We live in the Windsor area and I've met comments over and over again! It is deafening to the ears when you hear the volume at summation point take it to a rural area not in Madison Windsor and Beyond where is populated! Everyone is doing this a disservice unless they defeated it

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From: Megan Kantara <megan.m.mueller@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 8:50 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: No F-35s please

I'm a Madison resident asking you to support the new resolution opposing F-35s in Madison. Please protect the health and well being of our community.

Thank you,
Megan Kantara
1734 Helena St.

From: Paula Arnold <sunkawakan7@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 8:51 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Stop the F-35

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Jeanne Trotter <geoj3203@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 8:56 PM
To: All Alders

Opposed the situation with Fighters coming here

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From: Mike J <solarjoyce@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 9:00 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: I support the Common Council's F-35 Resolution

Good Day Alders,

I am writing to voice my support for the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

This proposed beddown is a horrible idea with disastrous consequences for the densely-populated area around Madison's Truax field. The EIS itself quantifies the unacceptable number of residences that will be incompatible with living if this beddown happens here.

This is a bad idea. I oppose the F-35 beddown and support the Common Council resolution.

Sincerely,
Mike Joyce
Madison

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From: Janet Davis <janetdavis2456@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 9:02 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: Pat Calchina
Subject: NO F-35'S!

Dear Alders,

PLEASE support the Common Council's resolution: "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children. I recently read statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down. The cost of the F-35s is excessive. This money could be spent on education or health care. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators. Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thanks,

Janet Davis
2546 Dahle St
(Right under the flight path!)
Madison, WI 53704

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From: Maggie Schneider <maggieschneider16@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 8:59 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Fiscal Priorities & Quality of Life In Madison Today

My Dear Alderpeople,

I am writing to request your support for the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

I am not opposed to the Air Natl. Guard, nor the 115th Fighter Wing. But I am opposed to bedding of any F-35's at Truax at any time.

They will not enhance or protect our shared environment. Nor will they improve the quality of life for anyone in Madison.

On the contrary, they will cruelly and aggressively drive many people out of their homes, neighborhoods, and whatever remains of their shattered peace of mind.

Under the best conditions this would be an act of hostile disregard to your constituents.

But given our current challenges it would be a grossly irresponsible misjudgment of how our money should be spent at this time.

You cannot be unaware that over 50 local and state organizations have signed statements opposing this proposed peacetime invasion of our town.

Also, over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program entirely due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

At this time of both global and local threats to our lives, liberty, and pursuit of happiness, I ask you to oppose the Truax bed-down of F-35's, and redirect state funds and intelligence towards mobilizing more heartening and effective responses to our medical and economic meltdown. We need to have all of our finances and wits about us. A fleet of shrieking F-35's doing loop de loops overhead would only exacerbate and add to everything that is going wrong. Please just say no to that hellish and unnecessary prospect.

Thank you for doing all that you can to help us get through this challenging time.

Your Extremely Concerned Constituent,
Dr. Maggie Schneider

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From: Sam Snyder <scsnyder1990@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 9:12 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown

Enough is enough.

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Sam Snyder

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From: Katherine van Wormer <katherine.vanwormer@uni.edu>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 9:17 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: huge expense of the F-35s

The cost of these controversial and noise-making fighter jets is almost \$100 million per plane and over \$1 trillion investment for the jets in total. John McCain argued against this line of defense. The U.S. desperately needs this money now. So keep this in mind as you consider whether this is something to support for Madison.

Katherine van Wormer(now living in Madison)
Professor Emerita
Department of Social Work
University of Northern Iowa
katherine.vanwormer@uni.edu
<https://sites.uni.edu/vanworme/index.html>

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From: Megan <meganjoy@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 9:22 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: SUPPORT the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

Please **support the Common Council's resolution** "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

- I oppose to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Peter Berryman <berrymanp@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 9:23 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the resolution opposing the F-35

Dear Alders,

PLEASE support the resolution OPPOSING the F-35s in Madison. The F-35 would harm the city's most impoverished residents but would have impacts on all persons (and animals) living in the Madison area as explained in the Environmental Impact Statement. This harm would come in the form of water and air pollution as well as noise pollution. Madison would also be made a primary target of nuclear exchange. In addition, the crash of an F-35 in this highly populated area would be devastating, releasing great toxic plumes of burning carbon fiber, jet fuel, and anti-radar coatings. The cost of this problematic jet would be overwhelming, and the benefit to its being based in Madison would have almost zero positive impact on the community, if not an overall negative impact. At a time when this country can't even afford one tenth of the medical devices it desperately needs for its population, spending millions on such a project as the F-35 bed-down in Madison is absurd and tragic.

Thank you for supporting the resolution OPPOSING the F-35s in Madison.

Peter Berryman
125 Division St
Madison WI 53704
berrymanp@aol.com

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From: Steven Klafka <sklafka@wingraengineering.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 9:21 PM
To: Ramon Ortiz
Cc: Mayor; Parisi, Joseph; Governor Tony Evers; Airport Director Kimberly Jones; All Alders; Dane County Board of Supervisors; School District Administrator Jane Belmore; Madison Metropolitan School District Board of Education
Subject: On Behalf of Safe Skies Clean Water Wisconsin - Organization Statements and Letters to the Editor Opposing the F-35A Beddown at Truax Field in Madison, Wisconsin
Attachments: Safe Skies to Air Force - Statements and Letters Opposing F-35 Beddown at Truax Field - 29march20.pdf

Mr. Ramon Ortiz
National Guard Bureau/A4AM
3501 Fetchet Avenue
Joint Base Andrews, MD 20762-5157

Subject:
Organization Statements and Letters to the Editor
Final Environmental Impact Statement
F-35A Operational Beddown for the Air National Guard
Truax Field in Madison, Wisconsin and Four Other Sites

Dear Mr. Ortiz:

On February 28th, the National Guard Bureau (NGB) published notification of the final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the F-35A Operational Beddown for the Air National Guard (ANG) at Truax Field in Madison, Wisconsin and four other sites in Idaho, Florida, Michigan and Alabama.

Madison residents, their government bodies and local organizations made it clear to the NGB they are opposed to the proposed beddown of the F-35A jets at Truax Field. The majority of comments on the draft EIS addressed concerns for the Truax Field site. Approximately 89% of all written comments and 79% of all public hearing attendance for the EIS on the five sites specifically concerned Truax.

Besides comments on the EIS, there were numerous telephone calls, emails, letters, meetings, protests, petitions and parades that involved local residents and organizations opposed to the proposed beddown of the F-35A fighter jet squadron at Truax Field. On February 29th, hundreds of people marched to the gates of the 115th Fighter Wing to show their opposition to the proposed beddown. As of March 19th, 52 local organizations prepared official statements in opposition to the beddown. On March 23rd, Safe Skies sent Barbara Barrett, Secretary of the Air Force, and Wisconsin government officials a petition signed by more than 2,000 residents opposed to the beddown. As of March 29th, over 140 letters to the editor of the Wisconsin State Journal and Capital Times had been published opposing the beddown.

To further demonstrate the concern of Madison residents for the proposed beddown at Truax Field, we are providing you with copies of the following documents:

- Attachment 1 - Official statements and resolutions prepared by 52 local organizations in Madison, Wisconsin opposing the F-35 jets at Truax Field.
- Attachment 2 - Letters to the editor of Wisconsin State Journal and Capital Times which have been published opposing the F-35 jets at Truax Field. Table 1 provides a list of the date and subject of these 146 letters.

We hope you will include these statements and letters in the EIS record and consider them for the Record of Decision on the final sites for the F-35A fighter jet squadrons. They provide further proof of the opposition to the beddown of

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From: Patricia La Cross <lacross.patricia@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 9:26 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the Resolution on the Environmental impact of F-35s

Dear Alders,

I urge you to continue to reject the basing of F-35's at Truax.

There is ample national evidence of the harmful impact of the noise,

and locally additionally the PFAS issue, as well as the obscene cost we can now less than ever afford.

I live on the near east side and worked for many years in the Northport/Packers area and know well the concentration of poverty in these neighborhoods proximate to the airport.

That we should be inviting More distress, disruption, and irremediable proven harmful pollution in this city is astounding! We instead should take point from all 30,000 others who have fought the arrogance of this project and protect our community, especially its most vulnerable members.

Thank you for voting with science, against this project.

Sincerely,

Patricia La Cross

From: Emily Dickmann <emilydickmann@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 9:27 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: opposing F-35s

Dear Alders,

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thank you for taking the time to read this & please support the resolution.

Sincerely,

Emily

From: cmweiss9194@gmail.com
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 9:29 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the resolution

Dear alders,

I am writing as a retired teacher and resident of Madison to ask you to support the resolution recommending that the F35s NOT come to Madison. The negative impacts on neighborhoods, a school and many families are clear. These planes should not be based so close to the places where people live.

Thank you,
Carol Weiss

From: Musholt, Mary
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 9:32 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: support for Resolution opposing F-35s

Dear Alders, thank you for your service and may you be healthy.

I am writing to ask you to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the ANG, F-35A Operation Beddown."

I oppose the basing of the F35-As at Truax as the tremendously expensive and ill functioning aircraft are harmful to our community, especially to people with low incomes, minorities and children.

I do not oppose the Air National guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.

Our community will not benefit for the F-35As, in fact, may make Madison more of a target.

Thank you, Mary Musholt 5814 Anchorage Ave madison WI

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From: Audrey Lesondak <aud.lesondak@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 9:39 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for Common Council Resolution for the EIS for F-35A

Dear Alders:

I support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

I am writing to express my deep concern over the placement of F-35's in our community. The opposition to this jet is not an opposition to the support of the Air National Guard or other military in our community. They have certainly helped during last year's flooding.

These jets are extremely loud and will disrupt schools potentially leading to lower reading scores, as studies of loud airport sounds have demonstrated, and the low of affordable housing, and the disruption of businesses where they are needed. Business will not move to the part of the city where these jets will fly, thus isolating communities just on the edge of the noise zone but still impacted.

Now more than ever, funding needs to go to small businesses, and building communities, not extremely expensive jets that will not produce jobs or safe, healthy communities. I am deeply concerned about the safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

I support the Council's resolution.

Respectfully,

Audrey Lesondak
1219 Spaight Street
Madison, WI 53703

From: Nettie Hertzler <netnetcook@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 9:41 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the Common Council's resolution

Hello,

I am writing regarding the F-35s that may be coming to Truax. Please, for the sake of children and many low income people oppose this beddown. Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the final Environmental Impact Statement for the International Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

The cost alone for these F-35s should cause reconsideration. Especially in this time of world crisis. Let's put our energy and finances toward healing our community instead of injuring our vulnerable populations and those we fight abroad.

Remember that we strive to make decisions as a people, together. These F-35s are not wanted here. We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down. Furthermore, thousands from around the nation have signed a petition to cancel the F-35s program citing concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects cost and community disruption. We choose health, education, and community building instead of thoughtless injury, power, and disruption. Please join our voice.

Thank you for considering this matter!
Peace and health to you,
Nettie Hertzler

From: Rebecca Berman <rlhberman@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 9:46 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution to oppose F 35

Please support the resolution to oppose bring F35s to Truax. I am a co-owner of my son's at 50 Corry St on the east side of Madison. He cannot afford to relocate and his quality of life will be negatively impacted by sound pollution. These planes will degrade Madison's air and water quality. We treasure the eastside of Madison and planned to retire in our condo on Spaight St. We strongly oppose bringing F35s to Madison. Too many homes of people will be impacted! These planes should be located in a less populated area. Please support the resolution opposing F 35s.

Rebecca Berman
Reuben Berman (son)
Bruce Berman (husband)
50 Corry St.
1039 Spaight St.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Edward Kuharski <ekuharski@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 9:57 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Resolution - please vote in favor

Dear Alders, While the Chamber of Commerce has mounted a campaign in support of the so-called "bed down" of 20 F-35 fighter jets, claiming its positive economic benefits, I think it is clear that quite the opposite is the likely effect. Some pertinent facts:

- Over half of all new jobs created in the State of Wisconsin from 2011 through 2019 occurred in Dane County. The key to this ongoing success in growing our economy is the quality of life we have to offer those new job-holders; clean lakes, quiet neighborhoods, good schools, etc.

- The keystone of the state economy is here in Madison: The University of Wisconsin. It creates a 960% return on the state's investment, approximately \$12.5 billion per year. Again, quality of life is key to the UW continuing to attract & hold faculty & researchers despite inferior pay & benefits relative to peer institutions. People come here and they stay for the quality of the environment even when it is not their best option from an economic standpoint. Our smart industries are the backbone of our local economy and many of them have grown out of the UW as incubator. And again, overall, younger tech, healthcare and professional workers value quality of life higher than total compensation. Also retirees and empty-nesters continue to flock to the Madison area for the amenities and quality of life we have to offer. They are bringing in new wealth & spending far in excess of the dollars that will come from the F-35 project.

- The promised contribution of the proposed F-35 bed down to the economy is tiny by comparison to the above core enterprises. And most of it will be temporary in the form of construction and commissioning; permanent jobs, not so much.

- The well-documented negative impacts on the local economy, tax base, environment and quality of life are considerable and should be disqualifying from the standpoint of the best interests of the city & county. This is true for the general population as well as the two government entities.

- The loss of real estate value and its knock-on effects should be of paramount concern to the City of Madison. Taxable property value is the foundation of the city budget. In an era when the state has closed off most all other options for revenue, there is not much ability to absorb the devaluation of an entire section of the city's housing stock and related businesses. If there is a large shift of population away from the impacted North Side neighborhoods that will require increasing school capacity in the neighborhoods where such internally displaced persons take refuge, and loss of value of the existing schools that serve the impacted area. The abandoned housing would become a different kind of burden. Imagine whole blocks of blighted, boarded-up houses similar to what we have now in the vicinity of the Visions nightclub, with the attendant problems that come with such areas - added cost on top of lost tax revenue. That seems like pretty bad economics to me.

Please support the resolution opposing this decidedly un-neighborly project and in doing so, support what makes Madison & Dane County a continuing success story with a robust, sustainable and peaceable economy.

Warm regards, Ed

Edward Kuharski, Architect, AIA, LEED AP
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"The best way to predict the future is to help create it."

From: Donna Magdalena <dmagdalena@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 10:11 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the resolution: "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

Dear Alders,

I urge you to support the resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown" for all the reasons listed in the resolution. The east side of Madison is already louder than other parts of the city due to the 90/94/39 interstate highway, Highway 51, Highway 30, a high level of airport noise even when planes are not taking off or landing since they keep their engines running while sitting and moving around on airport grounds, and especially the current deafening military jet takes offs. My hearing is suffering from this after a decade of working from home without AC so windows must be kept open in summer. I do not even live under the military's mapped flight patterns, but I guarantee you they flew over my house regularly and were ear-deafening, necessitating regular interruptions to phone calls and conversations while at work or trying to relax. A lack of green space only compounds this painful difficulty. Adding the F-35s would tip this issue so far over the edge, I will likely move from the east side.

Then there are the children, schools, playgrounds, low-income housing, higher proportion of people of color, and simple inability to enjoy the outdoors such as gardening, cycling, walking in Cherokee Marsh or other healthy outdoor activities. This impacts the health and well-being of our city residents, with the east side being heavily impacted. The military's poisoning of our drinking water with PFAS and their irresponsibility and negligence for clean-up has charted a history that foretells the future of how F-35 health issues will also be not dealt with.

The majority of people who voiced in favor of F-35s being sited here do not live near the airport and are not the people who have to deal with the ramifications and decreased value of property and health from this decision. Many of the reasons I heard people testifying in favor of the F-35s were due to value the National Guard offers to our region for being here, with Hurricane Katrina often cited as an example of the help they provide. That example alone shows how the value of the National Guard is not region-dependent. If a major catastrophe occurs here, they will arrive, whether they're located here or halfway across the continent.

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Urban communities are not proper locations for these types of ear-damaging activities.

Donna Magdalena
409 Russell Street
Madison

Veldran, Lisa

From: Vicki Berenson <vicki.berenson@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 10:34 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support Resolution in response to F-35A Final Environmental Impact Study

There are so many reasons to support this resolution opposing the F-35 beddown in Madison. It should be obvious that we need funding to protect our community's health and well-being. The cost of 18 fighter jets could pay for 80,000 respirators.

We don't need more fighter jets, and we certainly don't need jets that still have problems with safety and questionable effectiveness. The National Guard needs to get back to its original mission of aiding our communities in times of crisis and disaster. There is no excuse to spend billions of dollars disrupting our community's neighborhoods, particularly where low-income and minority residents will be most affected.

Thank you for voting YES on this resolution and making a strong public statement about our values.

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Vicki Berenson
vicki.berenson@gmail.com
145 Jackson St
Madison, WI 53704

Maybe working on the little things as dutifully and honestly as we can is how we stay sane when the world is falling apart. – Haruki Murakami

Veldran, Lisa

From: John Cook <90.johncook@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 10:36 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Common Council resolution

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown". I am a Madison resident and demand that F-35s not be stored in our city!

From: HildyB <hildybee@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 10:48 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: please support...

the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

As a Madison resident and supporter of the Safe Skies Clean Water Wisconsin, I ask that you vote yes in support of Agenda Item 77 regarding the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown. Please note:

- I am not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Below is the text of an email that I sent to all of my elected officials. It includes questions for which I believe we don't yet have answers.

Thank you for your attention and your support of the F-35 resolution. - Hildy Feen, Lake Edge resident

I am emailing you because you are elected officials for either Madison (I am a Madison eastsider), Dane County, or the State of Wisconsin or are focused on the F-35 issue. I believe that you have the authority to publicly support or oppose bringing F-35s to Truax Field, Madison, WI. Some of you have already done so.

I have questions regarding bringing F-35s to Madison for which I have not read articles containing answers. I have attended the first meeting regarding the F-35s which was held at the Alliant Center several months ago, and have read the article in Isthmus regarding the F-35 issue and a side issue of PFAS in our water supply. I have also reviewed the safeskiescleanwaterwi.org website. Some of the information I state below is from the above-mentioned articles and website.

I have learned that in discussing contentious issues, sides promote their views through their "lens" of the issue. This email is an attempt to obtain information that may be "lensless." I will state upfront that I believe the F-35s should not be sited in a densely populated urban setting similar to Madison's Truax neighborhoods and my reasoning will be explained in this email. I will leave out of my discussion whether I support the existence of the F-35s themselves.

Below are my questions and comments.

residents move to more affordable cities? Is siting the F-35s at Truax for a few jobs worth losing these residents, leading to Madison becoming even more homogeneous than it is?

2. The F-35s are designed to carry nuclear bombs and are designated part of the strategic nuclear bomber force in the Dept. of Defense 2018 Nuclear Posture Review. Madison has been a nuclear-free community since 1983. What is the impact on Madison and surrounding areas if Truax becomes part of a nuclear mission? Where will the nuclear bombs be located? Do you want planes with nuclear bombs in your backyard, city, state?

I am sure that there are more unanswered questions and concerns than I've listed above. I believe that with the information we currently have, siting F-35s in a heavily populated area will negatively impact Madison and surrounding areas and make these areas less desirable places to live. I strongly encourage you to represent the people of Madison and Wisconsin and publicly oppose the siting of F-35s at Truax if you have not already done so. At a minimum, the final decision regarding siting F-35s at Truax should be delayed until all of our questions are satisfactorily answered.

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...Today should always be our most wonderful day. - Thomas Dreier

Remember that happiness is a way of travel, not a destination. - Roy Goodman

Veldran, Lisa

From: Sara Bembenek <sara.bembenek@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 11:16 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support resolution of EIS for F-35s

Dear Alders,

This Tuesday, please support resolution of the EIS for the F-35A operational beddown. My position and the position of those in the same opinion:

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

This issue greatly affects our communities and our children (I personally have three young ones and reside on the near-east side). Please protect them and us!

Sara Bembenek
17 Harding Street
Madison, WI 53714

Veldran, Lisa

From: Roger Diggle <diggle@contrawise.net>
Sent: Sunday, March 29, 2020 11:49 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Fleet in Dane County

To the Dane County Alders:

I am registering my opposition to siting the F-35 Fleet at Truax. I respectfully ask that the Alders support the Common Council's resolution, "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

I have several concerns:

- * The entire M-35 project has been a boondoggle. Billions in cost overruns. It should have been abandoned long ago.
- * Despite all the above-named expense, the planes are still unreliable.
- * The planes' bodies are made from composite materials, rather than metal. If one of these planes crashes, a lot more will burn than the fuel in the tanks. Unlike the metal planes of the past, the body materials will also burn. Such a fire will be incredibly toxic. An environmental calamity - in addition to the direct danger to the citizens of Madison's East Side.
- * Such a fire will almost certainly be fought with foam that contains PFAS chemicals. The same chemicals which now pollute Starkweather Creek, Lake Monona, and the groundwater that is pumped by Madison Municipal Well #15. The training, at Truax, to fight such fires, is almost certainly the source of the PFAS pollution on Madison's East side, as mentioned above. There appears to be no plan for mitigating the existing pollution - much less the additional pollution caused by future fire training. This pollution affects *my* drinking water, along with edibility of Lake Monona's fish. The pollution causes health issues; additional costs to upgrade domestic drinking water filtration in neighborhood homes; and loss of real estate property values.
- * Engine noise from these planes will cause serious noise pollution in the communities near the airport. There are many low income families living in those neighborhoods. Their health will be negatively effected by the additional noise. Engine noise will also cause some disruption in the schools that serve these same neighborhoods. The low-income families who own homes near the airport will see the value of those homes negatively effected. Add to this the fact that Madison has a substantial shortage of homes for low-income families.

I again respectfully ask that Alders move to keep the F-35 fleet from being stationed at Truax.

Respectfully yours,
Roger Diggle
Effected property owner.

2126 Center Avenue
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Ellen Mueller <emueller60@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 12:12 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: TRuax

It is a very bad idea to base F-35s at Truax. Please act in the interests of the citizens of your community. NO F-35s!!!

Veldran, Lisa

From: Evelyn Atkinson <evelyn.h.atkinson@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 12:54 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution of Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association Re F-35 Operational Beddown

To Madison Alders:

On behalf of the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association, I am submitting to you a resolution that our neighborhood council passed last week opposing the basing of the F-35 fighter jets at Truax Field in Madison.

We hope that you will take our concerns seriously, and vote in favor of the proposed resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

Thank you for your time and attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

Evelyn Atkinson
Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Council

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Evelyn Atkinson
ABF/NSF Doctoral Fellow in Law & Inequality, American Bar Foundation
Ph.D. Candidate in History, University of Chicago
J.D., Harvard Law School
<https://history.uchicago.edu/directory/evelyn-atkinson>

Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association
Resolution in Opposition to the Operational Beddown of F-35 Fighter Jets

The Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association (TLNA) opposes the Operational Beddown of F-35 fighter jets at Truax Field Air National Guard Base.

One of TLNA's central concerns is the impact of high-decibel noise on the surrounding community. The Air Force's Environmental Impact Statement, issued February 19, 2020, concludes that over 2,200 residents of the area stretching from Commercial Avenue north to Highway 19 would experience 65 decibel-level noise, while around 300 residents of the Carpenter-Ridgeway neighborhood would experience sound levels between 70-75 decibels. According to the Federal Aviation Administration, 65 decibels and above is "not compatible" with residential or school use. The Center for Disease Prevention and Control has found exposure to loud noise to contribute to health conditions like high blood pressure, high cholesterol, and hypertension, while the World Health Organization has linked high-decibel noise exposure in children to poorer reading comprehension, standardized test scores, and long-term memory. The American Academy of Pediatrics has also concluded that such high noise levels can cause preterm labor and growth restriction in babies. This high-decibel noise will have significant disproportionate impacts on the low-income and minority population that reside in the surrounding areas.

In addition to the dangers from noise exposure, TLNA is also concerned about the impact on our community's drinking water of the bedding-down of the F-35s. Materials used in the operation of the aircraft contain PFAS, a chemical linked to development problems, thyroid disease, cancer, and weakened childhood immunity. Groundwater pollution from PFAS is already a problem in Madison because of the F-16 jets. (In May 2019, the chemical was found in ten of nineteen tested municipal wells, resulting in the well closest to the airport (Well 15) being shut down.) The construction required to expand Truax Field and the operation of the jets pose a significant risk of further groundwater contamination, not just to the immediate surrounding area, but to Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood as well as the entire city of Madison.

Whatever economic benefits are said to accrue from the bedding-down of the F-35 fighter jets, they pale in comparison with the harm that will certainly be done to the health and livelihoods of our friends and neighbors.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association opposes the basing of a squadron of F-35 fighter jets at Truax Field because it is contrary to our neighborhood's values of promoting the health and well-being of our community and our city.

Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Council
March 26, 2020

Veldran, Lisa

From: Chia Hamilton <2seewhatwecando@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:32 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Do Not Endanger Our Lives, Land, Water and Air



Thank you
Chia Hamilton

Veldran, Lisa

From: Emilie <dvince@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 5:23 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the Common Council, no F-35's!

Greeting from the Northside,

I am writing to ask that you support the Common Council's "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown." As a long time resident of the Eken Park Neighborhood, a mother to growing children, an active voter, and an environmentally and fiscally minded citizen and community member this proposal hits close to home and will have devastating impacts beyond the my neighborhood that should not be ignored. These planes do not belong at Truax Field! From myself and my family:

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Please do the right thing for the people who will suffer most from this proposal and for the planet, support the Common Council's opposition.

Thank you.
Emily DeClercq
Eken Park Resident

Sent from my iPad

Veldran, Lisa

From: Nancy or Jeffrey Lyons <jandn@chorus.net>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 5:24 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution opposing the F-35s,

Good morning,

I urge you to oppose the F35s coming to Madison.

I am not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.

I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low incomes, minorities and children. Especially veterans with PTSD, the elderly, and people with disabilities such as autism who cannot handle the loud noise.

The Safe Skies Coalition has statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.

The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.

Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Please oppose the F35s. They should be used over an area that is not full of people.

Thank you,

Nancy Helgesen Lyons
1330 O'Neill Ave.
Madison, WI 53704
jandn@chorus.net

Veldran, Lisa

From: Mark Kelderman <markkelderman420@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 7:53 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35's

F-35's are better suited in areas of lower population densities.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Joseph Johns <josephjohnsiv@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 7:53 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: In Opposition to F-35s coming to Trax

- We **are not** opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We **are** opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thank you,

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Joseph F. Johns IV

Veldran, Lisa

From: Bob Mincberg <mincbergbob@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 7:57 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Re: Resolution F-35 Jets—no F-35's at Truax

Good Morning!

I'm contacting you to encourage you to vote for the resolution opposing the F-35 jets being based at Truax Field.

I'm against the F-35 jets being based in Madison because of the known harmful effects the jets will cause to our community, including health effects, environmental impacts, lower house values, and displacement, as well as impacting low income folks and people of color disproportionately.

Regards,
Bob Mincberg

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPad

Veldran, Lisa

From: Brandon Blaschka <brandonblaschka@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 7:58 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35's

Hello,

I'm a east side of Madison resident that is in SUPPORT of the F-35's coming to MADISON. It will undoubtedly have a positive financial impact to our city in a much needed time - and help protect our city in multiple ways.

Please vote YES to moving these jets here for our beautiful city we call home!

Thanks,

Brandon Blaschka
819 Silas st
Madison 53714

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Shyam Kantara <venkata.dorairaj@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 8:09 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

Hi,

I am a resident of Marquette neighborhood and I am opposed to F-35s being added to Madison Traux . In addition to the noise pollution they are an environmental hazard and will add to the already grim situation at traux field with our water.

Madison can support the economic benefits through many other safe industries that are already thriving here. We do not need another dated war supporting machine.

Thank you,

Shyam Kantara
1734 Helena St, Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Dave Fallow <dfallow@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 8:12 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: NO to F-35's in Madison!

Dear Alders,

I oppose the "beddown" of F-35 jets in Madison -- too loud, too risky, too expensive. We need ventilators, not noise pollution. Thank you for voting YES on Agenda Item 77.

David Fallow
in Grant Foster's district
102 Leon Street
Madison WI 53714

Veldran, Lisa

From: Roderick Duff <borealpaddler@me.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 8:17 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: No to F-35s

Good morning,

I am writing to ask you to support the resolution opposing the bed down of F35s in Madison. Allowing these planes to be based at Truax field would decrease the quality of life in Madison. We do not need is the noise or pollution that these planes would create.

Sincerely,

Roderick Duff
6973 Chester Dr. Apt H
Madison, WI 53719

Veldran, Lisa

From: whitefink <whitefink@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 8:18 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: supporting resolution

RES-19-00588 correctly identifies the pitfalls of blindly accepting the assertions of the military. in this time of utter lack of leadership, it is more important than ever that cities and states take up the banner of freedom and self determination and have the clarity of foresight to correctly prioritize the true strength of a nation's defense, it's people and the environment on which they depend. rather than the craven profiteering of a stateless corporations feigning some dull sense of 'patriotism'.

i thank you in advance for your sober and just deliberation in support of banning the ill-conceived F-35 program.

sjw

Veldran, Lisa

From: Meg Lamm <meglamm@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 8:20 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Fighter jets

Dear Alders,

I am writing to urge you to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

A fleet of F-35 fighter jets would bring permanent harm to Madison in many ways. It would cause pollution in our lakes and waterways - the kind of pollution that is here to stay. It would cause significant ambient noise, particularly in poor neighborhoods.

Madison has a reputation as a wonderful place to live: a small livable city with thriving culture not typical for a city this size. A city with beautiful lakes and parks. An environmentally forward-thinking city. The F-35s could change all of that. Their roaring would be a constant presence in this city and a constant reminder of the harm they bring. It would affect the whole feel of the city. I urge you to oppose bringing the F-35s to Madison in any way that you can.

Thank you very much,

Margaret Lamm

meglamm@gmail.com

Veldran, Lisa

From: Shirley Birkle <shirleybirkle@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 8:24 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F 35's

I am not opposed to the Air National Guard. I am opposed to bringing the F35's to Truax Field for the negative impact it will have on our community! Please make the only right vote on March 31st. Thank you

Sent from my iPad

Veldran, Lisa

From: Maggie Washa <thewashas@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 8:39 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Resolution

Good People,

Please support the resolution to REJECT the F-35s at Truax. Any short-term financial benefits to the community will be lost as we pay for the larger, more damaging costs to our citizen's health, our environment and our quality of life, which will be effected for years to come.

This does NOT mean I oppose the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing. The problem is the F-35 itself, and its harmful effects to our community. Almost 50 local and State organizations oppose the Truax bed-down. The cost is excessive both directly and in health and environmental damage in the future.

Please vote for our future health and quality of life.

Thank you for listening.

Margaret Servais Washa

(Madison property owner since 1976, current resident of Middleton)

Veldran, Lisa

From: Steven Huxmann <jshuxmann@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 8:44 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35's

Dear Alders,

Please **oppose** basing F-35's at Truax because:

- Of the F-35 itself and **its harmful effects to our community**, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- Of the statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, **we need the funding for other uses**. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and **disruption of communities**.

Most sincerely,

Steven and Jean Huxmann

426 North Few Street

Madison

Veldran, Lisa

From: Stephanie W <justswell84@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 8:55 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the Common Council's Resolution

Good morning,

I am writing this morning to urge the alders for the city of Madison to support the Common Council's Resolution Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown.

I would like to point out that I am not opposed to the ANG or the 115th, I am opposed to BASING the F-35's in Madison because of the harmful effects such as noise/hearing damage they will cause to those living/working near the Truax field, as well as due to the pollution. Well 15, the well that supplied water to my home/my family, has been taken offline for the foreseeable future due to PFAs contamination from the Truax base, and they have yet to address this issue, nor have they said how they plan to clean Starkweather Creek which now has the highest levels of PFAs ever reported, which also flow into Lake Monona keep in mind.

In addition to the pollution, I would like to add that the communities most impacted by the negative aspects (air, ground, water, noise pollution) are primarily people of color, low-income, minorities, and children. There are dozens of day cares, elementary, and middle schools around the area that are impacted already by the F16s. Madison has a stance of keeping affordable housing, and I see this do nothing except push people (like myself) from our homes with little to no recourse. I recently had to sell my home in the Carpenter Ridgeway neighborhood for fear of losing it due to the F35's coming (or juts lack of noise mitigation help which I learned through various meetings is no guarantee and can take years to be approved IF approve), it was the hardest choice I have made as this was my home for almost a decade, and I loved my neighborhood and DID NOT WILLINGLY LEAVE, again I left due to the strong possibility of the F35s being based in Madison, and unfortunately not even the far east side or Sun Prairie seems to be far enough away from the F16s...so the question remains, will I not have to try to move again? I sure hope not, and I would hope this wouldn't be a choice any of you would have to make either. I ask that you treat this as if they were basing these F35's a mile from your home. I assure you a mile isn't far enough away, neither is 6, and F35s are much louder not to mention they will fly BOTH F16's and F35s for an "unknown" period of time before they phase the F16s out. That means louder decibel levels than accounted for on the EIS, that alone should worry everyone and make them ask more questions.

Last, I want to point out the current Coronavirus pandemic. We are currently in a place no one really alive has dealt with before. We are losing the battle and thousands of lives are have already been lost in the United States. We are running out of ventilators and crucial supplies that are needed to both keep medical professionals safe as well as help covid infected patients survive. The war that is going on is a virus, F35s won't save or help us. In fact all of the tax payer's money that has been funneled into this project could be going to help buy medical supplies that are crucial right now. A \$400,000 F35 pilot's helmet could instead buy ventilators, medical masks, be given a factory to produce more needed supplies etc.

Now is the time to do something that can have the most positive impact during a time when things seem daunting, unclear, and ominous. I urge you to do the right thing and support the Common Council's resolution.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Well

Veldran, Lisa

From: Gregory Whiffen <optimaldynamics@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 8:56 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support "Responding to the Final EIS for the Air National Guard F-35A Operation Beddown"

Hello Alderpersons,

Please support the the Common Councils resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

The cost to our northside community is clearly far too great as clearly spelled out in the EIS. F-35's belong at any of the many much more isolated Air Force bases in our country. Many of my neighbors and I choose to live here because it is a peaceful environment to raise a family. The noise level of these aircraft are equivalent to having a major construction site just next-door.

Please oppose the bedding down of F-35s in our neighborhood.

Thank you,
Gregory Whiffen
17 Cambridge Court
Madison, WI 53704
608-244-7753

From: Stephanie W <justswell84@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:05 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: PLEASE SUPPORT the Common Council's Resolution!

Good morning,

I am writing this morning to urge the alders for the city of Madison to support the Common Council's Resolution Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown.

I am not opposed to the ANG or the 115th, I am opposed to BASING the F-35's in Madison because of the harmful effects to the environment as well as to the negative impacts it will have on low-income communities primarily composed of minorities and children.

The military doesn't have a great pollution track record, if you look through records, there was reports of illegal dumping back in the 1980's. In addition to this, last year, Well 15 was closed/taken offline due to PFA contamination. How long did I drink that contaminated water I often wonder. Information that would be good to know, and interestingly enough I had to proactively look into what well I was on and the quality of the water and that's when I found out it had been taken offline, after the fact.

Would you want to know if the water coming out of your faucet, the water you and your wife/husband/children drink, would you want to know if it was safe? Do you deserve to know? If you can't honestly answer yes, then there are bigger problems.

I don't support the basing of the F35s in Madison and I urge you to support the common council's resolution.

Last, I want to point out the current Coronavirus pandemic. We are currently in a place no one really alive has dealt with before. We are losing the battle and thousands of lives are have already been lost in the United States. We are running out of ventilators and crucial supplies that are needed to both keep medical professionals safe as well as help covid infected patients survive. The war that is going on is a virus, F35s won't save or help us. In fact all of the tax payer's money that has been funneled into this project could be going to help buy medical supplies that are crucial right now. A \$400,000 F35 pilot's helmet could instead buy ventilators, medical masks, be given a factory to produce more needed supplies etc.

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Sincerely,

Stephanie Well

Veldran, Lisa

From: ROBERT W SVEC <rwsvec@wisc.edu>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:06 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Air National Guard F-35 Operational Beddown

I'm not opposed to the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.

I'm opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax.

F-35 placement in Madison would be just another example where the environment, our quality of life, and public safety become slowly eroded for questionable, economic benefit.

Please support this Common Council's resolution.

Wayne Svec

Veldran, Lisa

From: Allen Ruff <allen.m.ruff@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:06 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Re: Item 77 On a Resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

Re: Item 77 On a Resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

Dear Members of the Council:

I'm writing to urge your support of the resolution and the important message that it will send during this time of escalating emergency.

As you may be aware, the organized proponents of the F-35 "beddown" at Truax have charged that those Alders who have sponsored the resolution have maneuvered to "sneak through" the motion. They also claim that it is a "slap in the face" of the national guard airmen and soldiers now assisting in the fight against Corona virus.

The issue is not the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing. Indeed, no one could possibly take issue with the vital mission they are currently fulfilling. Rather, it remains the impact of the planes.

While voicing everyone's shared concerns regarding the Covid 19's threat to our health, safety and security, the proponents' "alert" regarding the resolution somehow failed to mention the proposed F-35 basing and what it will actually mean for the well-being of the area's residents and environment.

The focus of any decision by the Council should center on the substantive concerns raised in the resolution. It should not be deflected by emotional and manipulative appeals.

Thank you for your consideration.

Allen Ruff

533 W. Main St. #112
Madison, WI 53703

Veldran, Lisa

From: Katie Klein <kmklax1990@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:11 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: I oppose the F-35s

Hello alders,

I am reaching out to you and urging you to please vote against the F-35s in Madison. The negative environmental impacts and further gentrification of our community is only going to lower the quality of life for longtime Madison residents and continue to perpetuate the severe racism that is already too ignored in our community. Please let us current Madison residents know that you are on our side.

Thank you,

Katie Shields

Veldran, Lisa

From: Bryan <outerlimitsbab@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:12 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

Support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thanks

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jessie Chmell <jessiechmell@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:27 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please oppose the F-35s

Hello Community Alders,

I am writing to ask you to please vote against the F-35s this Tuesday. There are many reasons why I don't think they are a good idea for our community. One reason is they will negatively impact many people in our community, particularly children, minorities and low income individuals. These are people who all too often don't have a voice in the decisions made that impact their world. Bringing the F-35s would bring harmful health effects to people.

Bringing the F-35s would cause negative environmental effects. We are already dealing with enough issues with the PFAS up near Truax.

I am requesting that the Air National Guard find another location for the F-35s. One that is remote and doesn't stand to negatively impact people.

It is not that I am in opposition to the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing. As I said earlier, I just want them to choose a location that is more remote and wouldn't disrupt a large community.

Again, please vote against the F-35s coming to Madison.

Thank you for your time.

Jessie Chmell

Veldran, Lisa

From: Joann Nishiura <jnishiura@charter.net>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:34 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please say NO to F-35's at Madison Truax!

To all Alders,

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
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Sincerely,

JoAnn and Gary Nishiura

Veldran, Lisa

From: alareda <alareda@gmail.com> on behalf of Anita Hecht <anita@lifehistoryservices.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:36 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE SUPPORT THIS RESOLUTION ...

I am writing to ask for your support of the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Bedgown."

We need the resources of our air national guard to help protect our community with medical support and missions that protect our public health and safety. Bedding down the F-35s in Madison is not only a proven, colossal waste of money, which does not add anything to our security or economic development as a city, but it will serve to further more environmental contamination, noise pollution, economic injustice and disparities, and it will severely damage the hearing, learning capacity, and mental health of our children, our vulnerable community members, and our elders. PLEASE keep Madison one of the best cities to live in in our country. As a resident here since 1973, I love my city and will do everything in my power to help heal it from the pandemic in our midst and to protect it from future disasters. I hope you do so as well. We are counting on your voice to say NO to the F-35s. They would be an unquestionable disaster for our city. Thank you for your public service and your much needed protection.

Sincerely,
Anita Hecht

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Honor the Past, Capture the Present, Inform the Future

Veldran, Lisa

From: TM Graham <tmhgraham@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:40 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Re: Common Council Resolution against F-35's in Madison

Please, PLEASE, don't let F-35's come to the capitol city of Wisconsin. They will ruin the happiness of our East- and North-side neighbors with their amazingly loud noise.

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

So many of us have worked and saved and invested in our homes. We love them. We love our neighborhoods. We love our communities. The East and North sides of Madison are the last affordable areas for housing in our city.

If the F-35's are placed in Madison, many, many households will lose on their investments. People who have striven to afford property in the city proper will find that their homes are undesirable and incompatible with the F-35 planes' noise. We will be left with far less value than we expected. We will want to move to quieter areas. We will be sorry to live in our home city, because the military didn't respect residents' needs or desires.

Tanya Graham

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Tanya Graham
2449 Upham Street
Madison, WI 53704

608-242-5579 home
608-698-4370 cell

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Marina Y. Kelly <marinayvonne@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:42 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

Dear Alders,

I thank you for your work during these uncertain times and I think now, more than ever, our core community values are shining through.

I am writing you today to ask that you support the Common Council's resolution responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown.

I oppose basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the harmful effects to our community (most especially to low income folks, minorities and children) and I ask you to consider the excessive cost of the F-35s. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators!

I am most concerned about PFAs and the inevitable increased damage to our air and water quality related to the F35s, but I also really care about how the noise impacts our community.

Please represent our community, and those most vulnerable, by supporting the Common Council's resolution!

Marina

Marina Kelly

29 Waubesa St, Madison, WI 53704 (30 year resident of Madison, Wisconsin)

Veldran, Lisa

From: Rick Bogle <rick.bogle@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:44 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s

Please vote in favor of the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

The significant adverse impacts to neighborhoods in and around the north and east sides of Madison are more than sufficient reason to oppose the siting of these jets here.

One thing not mentioned in the resolution is the potentially severe impact to wildlife. According to the DNR, Cherokee Marsh, would be subjected to increased noise from the jets. This could have significant detrimental impacts on numerous animals including members of rare and declining species known to use the marsh.

Sincerely,

Rick Bogle
Lynn Pauly

5133 Maher Ave.
Madison
608 222 2348

Veldran, Lisa

From: Zara Nehls <Zara.Nehls@risewisconsin.org>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:45 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: support the resolution. No F-35 please.

Hello,

I live very near the airport on the northeast side of Madison with my young son, and I also work as a home visitor in Dane County, working closely with families of color and low income families. I strongly ask you to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
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Zara Nehls, CSW, CLC
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Veldran, Lisa

From: M Sushore <msushore3@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:52 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution to Oppose F-35s

Dear Alders:

Please receive this message as support for the Common Council Resolution that will be taken up this evening to oppose F-35s in Madison. I urge you to vote for it. I am opposed to all F-35s wherever the proposal surfaces, whichever city, whichever state. There is no place for F-35 development in the context of accelerating climate change, COVID-19 challenges, and already unmet need on the part of significant swaths of Madisonians and Americans. Please do the right thing and support the resolution this evening. Keep the F-35 out of Madison.

Marilee Sushoreba
1818 Adams Street
Madison, WI 53711

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The CO2 level in the atmosphere the year I was born was 312.2 parts per million. Today it is 400.9; 88.7 ppm higher.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Nancy Kendall <nkendall@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:00 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please vote for the new Resolution, opposing the F-35s

Dear Alders,

As a resident of the West side, I am writing to ask you to please vote for the Common Council's resolution opposing the F-35s. As the final IES and other reports make clear, there is no good reason to support bringing F-35s to Madison, and lots of good reasons (environmental, community health, jobs, etc.) to not support these efforts. There is no good reason at all to have F-35s based in a state capital. There is no good reason at all to destroy one of our most vibrant neighborhoods (and destroy it they will) and put our children at risk of distress and of hearing damage. There is no good reason at all to deliberately increase poisons in our lakes and our ecosystems.

I am very supportive of the Air National Guard and the 115th Fighter Wing in Madison. But I am deeply opposed to the F-35 program (as are so very many people nationwide, who have done research about this particular program and weapon), and I am deeply opposed to having them bed in the middle of a vibrant community in a capital city. Our people's and our lakes' health and wellbeing must take precedence over a program that will have significant negative impacts and--even according to its supporters--no significant benefits for Madison. Please vote for this resolution. It is the right thing to do for Madison.

very best,
Nancy Kendall
1809 Van Hise Avenue
Madison WI 53726

Veldran, Lisa

From: Diane Farris <10dianef@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:04 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please Support Common Council's resolution "Responding to Final EIS for Air National Guard F-35 Operational Beddown"

Dear Alders,

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

I am not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.

I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.

We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.

The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.

Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thank you for supporting the health and well being of our community, especially at a time when it is so needed.

Sincerely,

Diane Farris, 3233 Thorp St., Madison WI 53714

Veldran, Lisa

From: jcparker@tds.net
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:04 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35's

Please oppose these planes in our community because of their serious environmental and health effects. I only oppose these planes, not the stationing in general here. They would greatly impact my life since they are close to my home.

Thank you.
Jennifer Parker
1425 Wheeler Ct. #B
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Sonja K. <keeseyberg@tds.net>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:04 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Proposal to base new generation of jet planes in Madison

To whom it may concern: Many people are attracted to the economic benefits they see associated with basing the new jets in Madison, but these benefits come with a very high price! Making a neighborhood populated largely by our most vulnerable citizens unlivable because of noise levels does not bode well for our community. The potential for environmental pollution is a real risk, since we already have some serious problems even without the added proposed aircraft. The struggles we now face with the pandemic, remind us that complicated machines of war, that cost unimaginable amounts of money, are not what we need at this point in our history. We need to focus on healing people, not destroying them. David and Sonja Keesey-Berg
Madison, WI.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Sally Young <sallyyoung@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:06 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: resolution on F-35 beddown

Dear Madison Alders,

I hope you will support the resolution opposing the F-35 beddown at Truax. The main argument set forth by Badger Air Community and the Chamber of Commerce is an economic one. However, the economic argument is spurious at best.

According to the EIS, the beddown will only entail a small number of jobs and almost no permanent jobs for local citizens. The gains from those 64 jobs pale when weighed against the ongoing costs of building more affordable housing and the relocation of low-income people. Add to this, the administrative and regulatory costs of sound mitigation and pollution cleanup. Plus, the economic argument does nothing to address the social and environmental justice issues that abound in this project.

Please, think long and hard about this before you vote. Any truly thoughtful assessment cannot justify inviting a troubled and enormously costly fighter jet program into our community - especially given the current state of the world.

Thank you for your time and careful consideration,

Sally Young
4112 Major Ave.
Madison, WI 53716

Sally R. Young, Ph.D., LPC
Lifeline Connections, LLC
1250 Femrite Dr., Suite 202
Madison, WI 53716
(608)219-2277

You have stolen my dreams and my childhood with your empty words....People are suffering. People are dying. Entire ecosystems are collapsing....and all you can talk about is money and fairy tales of eternal economic growth. How dare you! Greta Thunberg

Veldran, Lisa

From: Erik Franze <efranze717@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:11 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
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Veldran, Lisa

From: irene piersma <piersma@charter.net>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:23 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F 35s

- I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children. In addition, the environmental impacts to our air and water will be very negative.
- The environmental impact statement makes it very clear that many homes will become uninhabitable . The impact on the neighborhoods will be disastrous. The loss in property tax revenue to the city will be substantial.
- The argument that there will be an increase in permanent jobs for Madison is false. There will not be an influx of jobs into our community. Only 64 military personnel will be added to staff the bed down, and these folks are not coming from our community, they are highly trained military personnel being transferred from other military bases. Some short term construction jobs will last only until the base is completed.
- The bed down of F35s in Madison will cause a downward spiral of quality of life for our community with far reaching impacts for many generations to come.

I am encouraging all Alders to read the environmental impact statement given to us from the Air Force regarding the F 35s. Clearly Madison has the most potentially detrimental effects compared any other proposed bed down site. Please voice your opposition to the F 35 bed down.

Sincerely,

Irene Piersma
2314 Hoard Street,
Madison, Wisconsin

Veldran, Lisa

From: Mary Jeanne Murl <mjm.three@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:24 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F 35s

Please support the resolution against the F35 jets coming to Madison.

Mary Jeanne Murl
9 pepper wood court
Madison 53704

Thank you

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Lynn Pauly <lpauleau@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:33 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: Foster, Grant
Subject: Item 77

I am writing to urge you to vote **in support** of the resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Air National Guard F-35A Operation Beddown.

I am disappointed when I see Madisonians who live outside of the affected areas who support the F-35s. We must look out for one another. My neighborhood is not one that will be directly affected by the basing of the F-35s at Truax, but my community will most definitely be affected.

With local and state organizations opposing the bed-down, the excessive cost, and the nationwide request to cancel the F-35 program, I believe the City Council should support this resolution.

Thank you for your service.

Lynn Pauly
5133 Maher Avenue
Madison WI 53716

Veldran, Lisa

From: Hannah Bernard-Donals <hannahmbd@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:38 AM
To: All Alders

Dear Madison City Alders,

Please support the Common Councils resolution!

At this time where we can see the effects of ignoring the greater good and the long term benefits of our health care system so very clearly, please do not continue to take us on the path of self harm. We can do better for all of our citizens.

“Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown”

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Thank you,
Hannah Bernard-Donals
125 N Hamilton St Unit 406
Madison 53703

Hannah Bernard-Donals

The Mother's Milk Alliance
mothersmilkalliance.org
Four Trimesters Midwives, LLC
www.fourtrimestersmidwives.com
Pregnancy Options Wisconsin | Education, Resources, Support
www.pregnancyoptionswi.org

Veldran, Lisa

From: info@colmmccarthy.com
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:54 AM
To: All Alders

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

Colm & Jane McCarthy
319 North Ingersoll
Madison WI 53703

Veldran, Lisa

From: SueAnn K <sueannk@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:54 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

I'm writing to express my opposition to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison. I believe this would be harmful to the community, particularly to people that are disenfranchised.

The cost to our community is excessive and such funds could serve us better; especially in the unique time we find ourselves in.

The concerns and safety for our environment and health are in danger of being offset by potential benefit to our economy. It is a historical pattern i.e. the tobacco industry; where we're told to trust and no impact and years later the truth is uncovered.

SueAnn Kultgen Kraus

Veldran, Lisa

From: Pamela Rogers <pfrogers@gmx.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:57 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution regarding F-35 beddown in Madison

I am writing to urge all alders to support the resolution responding to the Air National Guard's final environmental impact statement regarding the F-35 operational beddown in Madison.

As a parent and grandparent of low-income, racially and socially isolated family who live at 916 N. Oak St., I am very concerned. Not only have there been many studies that show direct health, safety, and environmental effects there have been studies that show the F-35 to be unnecessary, not cost effective and disruptive to a community.

I hold a Master of Public Health and am a retired Epidemiologist. I have tried to review the EIS methodology. From what I can tell, the methods (numbers) seem to be woefully lacking - leaving the report suspect.

In addition, and setting EIS methods aside, the final recommendations in the EIS truly runs contrary to the values and long-term goals identified in Madison's Comprehensive Plan and already codified in City codes.

Pamela Rogers, MPH
5709 Hammersley Rd.
Madison, Wisconsin 53711
608.698.5542

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Sent from my Android phone with GMX Mail. Please excuse my brevity.

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Maureen McDonnell, O.P. <mcdonnel@edgewood.edu>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:57 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: support Common Council resolution; no F-35s

To All Alders in the city of Madison:

PLEASE SUPPORT the **Common Council's resolution to "Respond to the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."**

We are opposed to basing F-35s at Truax because of the dangerous and excessively costly F-35 itself and the harmful effects it would have on our community, especially on people of low income, people of color, and children.

Re: cost, I understand that 18 F-35s cost approximately what 80,000 ventilators cost.

Thanks for your consideration.
Madison resident ... Maureen

*Maureen McDonnell, O.P.
1007 Edgewood Avenue
Madison, WI 53711*

Veldran, Lisa

From: HP Scanning Device <melannoye@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:57 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Resolution

To Ms. Lindsay Lemmer, Alderwoman for District 3:

I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children. The ear-splitting sound that these jets emit have no place so close to highly populated residential areas. Currently, the military jets that fly over my house during the week are absolutely deafening. Why is no one suggesting a more rural location, such as Fort McCoy? This isn't a NIMBY. It's just common sense to locate these types of military operations in places built to handle and accommodate what they require.

Respectfully,
Mary Lannoye
117 S. Walbridge Avenue
Madison, WI 53714

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Veldran, Lisa

From: Alex Bryant <abbryant@uwalumni.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 11:00 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 resolution

I am writing to ask you to **support** the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

As a Madison homeowner and decade-long resident, I don't oppose the 115th Fighter Wing, but **I do oppose housing the F-35s in Madison for a variety of reasons:**

- The environmental impact cannot be ignored. My family lives within a few miles of the airport, and already we succumb to noise pollution from the jets used in training for the ROTC, as well as regular commercial flights.

Additional noise that has been clocked at above 65 decibels would be detrimental to our environment, especially to the developing auditory system of our infant.

— Other families in the area don't deserve this either: my family enjoys a level of privilege that we work hard to appreciate and not take advantage of, and there are other families in the area who do not enjoy such privilege and would be even more negatively impacted by this change - those neighborhoods even closer to the proposed site.

- The economic cost to our communities is of utmost importance as well. It has been cited that **the cost of 18 F-35s is close to the same as 80,000 ventilators**. In the time of COVID-19 - where projections for the height of the epidemic in WI to hit in early May - we should be reallocating these immense resources to the tasks at hand.

In a community that is so strongly focused on public health, it is surprising to me that this is a consideration of our Common Council. I struggle to see any beneficial impacts housing the F-35s here has, and there are negative ones that go beyond the ones I've listed above.

Vote in the best interest of your community and your constituents. **Support** the resolution to oppose housing the F-35s in Madison.

Alexandra Bryant
MD/MPH Candidate, Class of 2021
Founding President, Students for Sustainable Healthcare, *former*
Clinic Coordinator, RISE and MSW, MEDiC Student-Run Free Clinics, *former*
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Pronouns: she/her/hers

Veldran, Lisa

From: Dona Meyer <dona@bethel-madison.org>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 11:02 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: No F-35's - support of the bill/article 77 - "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

Greetings,

I am writing in support of the bill/article 77 - "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

I want you to know that first, I am in full support of the Air national Guard/ the 115th Fighter Wing. I know their work is important and want to keep them here.

I am opposed to basing the F-35's at Truax in Madison because the F-35 fighters, according to the studies, will cause harmful effects to our community – especially low-income people, children and minorities. Also, there are concerns about the environment and the bad effects it will have on wildlife, pollution, ground, water and soil contamination, sound damage to wildlife, children and people around a large area. These F-35 fighters have an excessive cost and do we need to put that money into this right now?

Please keep Madison a good, safe place for all humans and wildlife to live in.

Dona Meyer

Wherever life plants you, bloom with grace.

Veldran, Lisa

From: John O. <jeoh32@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 11:05 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Unbelievable!

Attention Madison Alders,

I relocated to the Eastside of Madison last Fall and I love it. This is a delightful community. It boggles my mind to think that anyone would even consider degrading the rare and wonderful quality of life here by welcoming the environmental disaster known as the F-35. And for what, a handful of imported jobs? What are you thinking!? Whatever, be mindful that one of the first things I did after moving here was register to vote. Remember that, I won't forget.

John O.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Zach Smith <r.zachary.smith@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 11:07 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

Dear Alders,
I am writing to

Veldran, Lisa

From: Tony Miller <ynotmiller@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 11:08 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: Jacobs.jay@msnairport.com; Stubbs@countyofdane.com; Parisi, Joseph
Subject: Written Comments Supporting Resolution Banning F-35s from Truax Field

Below are my written comments that I would like read and/or entered into the record when Agenda item #77 is considered during the City Council's meeting on March 31, 2020.

Please vote for the resolution banning F-35s at Truax Field. Though I am not anti-military, I am against having F-35s stationed at Truax Field for the following reasons:

- The F-35s are several times louder than the current F-16s which are too loud for many of the residents who live by the airport. The decibel scale is logarithmic, not arithmetic, so an increase of 10 dB from 60 to 70 dB is twice as loud. Loud sounds can disrupt sleeping, thinking, and classroom activities in nearby schools with minorities and poor families disproportionately affected. We have noise ordinances that apply throughout the city, and they should be enforced near the airport, too.
- This is mission creep: Yes, Truax Field has been used as a military training facility for decades. However, it was not designed to be used as a full out US Air Force Base. Think about it this way, if Truax Field with the F-35s was located in an isolated area of Dane County, would you build your home next to it?
- There will be loss of property value in the areas where the noise pollution is the loudest, which will drive up the property taxes in other areas of the city and county that are not affected to meet the shortfall and continue the same level of services.
- The whole F-35 program is wasteful and impractical - at a range of 1,300 miles, an F35 would need to refuel 4 times to fly to Moscow and while the plane itself may be designed to fly in stealth mode, the tanker planes that refuel them in flight are not and would show up on radar.
- The money that would go toward fueling and maintaining the planes and training the pilots would be better spent on health care and battling the coronavirus.
- Lastly, if the USAF must station the F-35s in Wisconsin, it could use Fort McCoy or Camp Douglas (Volk Field) which are areas that also need jobs but where the population density is much lower.

Please support the resolution banning F-35s from Truax Field.

Respectfully,

Tony Miller
5122 Door Drive
Madison 53705

Veldran, Lisa

From: Wilberta L. Donovan <donovan@waisman.wisc.edu>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 11:09 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 at Truax

Dear Alders

PLEASE

support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.

But I am not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.

Wilberta Donovan
1450 Rutledge
Madison, WI 53703

Veldran, Lisa

From: Dave Searles <ecotopian@charter.net>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 11:11 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: RE: ACTION: Tell the Madison City Council to Support the Resolution Opposing F-35

Dave Searles

804 17th Street

Brodhead, WI 53520-1760

608-897-2368

ecotopian@charter.net

Dear Sir/Madam:

The Air Force should be considering a number of abandoned Air Force bases on the Great Plains that are away from population centers that are more suitable for the location of these fighter jets if they are actually necessary.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dave Searles

MA, History, Washington College, MD

BA, Milton College, WI, History-Political Science major and minors in Criminal Justice and Natural Resources

Veldran, Lisa

From: ROSEMARIE CARBINO <rcarbino@wisc.edu>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 11:14 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: please support F-35 impact statement

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

Rosemarie Carbino
Madison, WI

Veldran, Lisa

From: Sally Jones <saljones57@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 11:14 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s

As a resident of Madison and a concerned parent and grandparent, I deeply oppose the basing of F-35s at Truax Field, and I ask you to oppose any action which would bring it about.

Sarah Jones

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: gwen ebert <gwenebe@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 11:15 AM
To: All Alders

Dear Alders,

I am writing to urge you to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive when we need the funding for domestic needs. (18 F-35s cost about the same as 80,000 ventilators)
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thank you for your efforts.

Sincerely,

Gwen Ebert

4205 Maher Ave.

Madison, WI 53716

Veldran, Lisa

From: Susan Clark <clarkski2002@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 11:19 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Agenda item 77

Dear Respected Members of the Common Council:

I am writing not to oppose the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing, but to oppose the basing of the F-35 program at Truax Field in Madison. I am opposed because of the harmful effects that will be brought upon our community and our environment from the F35 jets.

The area around Truax is densely populated. This program will negatively effect a large population of our community from the wealthy to the poor. Not only will it cost tax dollars to house and support the F-35 program, it will result in decreased home values which will result in decreased tax revenues for the city. Many homes will be unsellable if this program comes to our community. The environmental costs are also extremely high.

Right now our country is involved in a war at home, the likes of which we have never seen in our lifetime. To spend precious tax dollars for this program is exceptionally irresponsible. Those dollars could be used to provide protective gear for healthcare workers who are on the front line fighting an invisible enemy. It could also be used to provide precious ventilators which are in such a desperate shortage in our state.

Please vote in support of the resolution asking the Airguard to reconsider using Truax Field as a base for the F-35 jet program.

Sincerely,

Susan Clark

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

Veldran, Lisa

From: Gordon Brand <gsbrand@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 11:23 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: In support of the resolution to oppose the F-35A bed down at Truax

Dear Alders,

I oppose the bed down because the Air Force will have unlimited power to alter their missions to greatly increase the number of flights. The Air Force could impose enormous environmental costs in soil, water, air and noise with no recourse. And they admit that rejecting the F-35A bed down will have no impact on the continued viability of Truax.

The bed down is a bad deal for Madison. Don't get bullied into another Foxconn.

Gordon Brand
707 Hill St, Madison, WI 53705

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jennie Capellaro <jcapellaro@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 11:24 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s

Dear Madison Alders,

Please support the resolution opposing the F-35s in Madison. A populated urban area is not an appropriate placement for these jets. I live in the 65 dB zone, according to the map provided in the environmental impact statement. The Air National Guard base currently hosts the F-16 jets. The F-16 jets fly over my neighborhood often. When they do, the noise is piercingly loud and damaging to the ears of the neighbors below. I can provide video and decibel meter evidence of this. The current jets are too loud! Any degree louder will be intolerable and we KNOW the F-35s will be louder. Come on! Let's not lose grip of common sense: If the EIS designates an area "incompatible with residency" (my neighborhood!) and that is what the military's own report is saying, what in the hell do you think is going to happen? Add it up. It will be devastating to our neighborhoods. Our houses, our schools, our parks, our wildlife areas and more.

Get on the right side of this. Get on the side of the people who live here. Your constituents. WE MATTER. And, to the alders who do not represent the east and north sides, that is a fallacy, you represent ALL of us. All of the residents of Madison. Golden rule— If this affected your neighborhoods the same way, would you support it? I'm sure you are receiving a lot of messages from a very organized and well-financed group that wants these military jets for reasons I find hard to conceive. Take a look at where the Badger Air folks live. Will their neighborhoods be incompatible with residency if these jets arrive? I ask you to sift through the arguments and look at what is right for our community.

Please support the resolution. It will send an important message to the decision makers on this issue.

Sincerely,

Jennie Capellaro
521 Christianson Ave
Madison, WI 53714

Veldran, Lisa

From: Bob Israel <rlisrael@wisc.edu>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 11:25 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please vote for resolution opposing F-35s

My name is Bob Israel and I have lived at 26 S. Marquette St. for over 35 years. I am writing this in support of the Common Council resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

- I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- Almost 50 local and state organizations have stated their opposition to the Truax "bed-down."
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the entire F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.
- Construction required to base them here will unleash large amounts of PFAS into our groundwater, and potentially our drinking water.
- According to the EIS, just the noise of these jets alone will render hundreds of ever scarcer affordable housing units unlivable.
- This is not just another NIMBY, it's a potential disaster for Madison and should be the concern of all residents and public officials.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jean Whitcomb <hannahwhitcomb@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 11:25 AM
To: All Alders; allalders@cityofmadision.com
Subject: Support resolution responding to the Final EIS for the ANG F-35A operational beddown

Hello,

I am resident of the Madison east side, and I am concerned about the potential beddown of F35s at Truax. I encourage you to please support the resolution Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown". The beddown in a dense residential community (such as the one surrounding Truax) will have very serious negative long-term financial and environmental impacts.

I understand that the noise alone will make hundreds of millions of dollars worth of residential housing incompatible with residential use due to noise. Day night average noise levels are expected to be 65 dB and include frequent noise levels comparable to jackhammers (e.g. on takeoff). Long term there may be funds available to property owners for mitigation but there is no timeline or guarantee, the AF claims no authority to expend these funds, and full mitigation is not possible.

AF-caused PFA-contamination is already extremely high in the area of Truax which will have serious health and financial impacts on local residents as PFAs travel into surface water and our water supply. It is my understanding that the AF does not consider cleanup, prevention, and mitigation of noise/chemical pollution the AF causes to be their responsibility. So whose responsibility is it?!

Unless the Air Force can be required to cleanup existing contamination (prior to beginning construction) and prevent and/or fully mitigate noise, soil, and water pollution and other environmental impacts in the area, then I am strongly opposed to the selection of Truax.

Thank you for whatever you can do to require the AF and federal government to address these problems or, failing that, to prevent the AF from using Truax for this purpose.

Jean Whitcomb
941 Harvey Terrace
hannahwhitcomb@yahoo.com

Veldran, Lisa

From: Gillian Blake <gillianblake8@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 11:29 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thank you,
Gillian Blake

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Ryan Hietpas <rhietpas@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 11:31 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution Opposing F-35 Project

Hello City of Madison Alders,

I am writing today to urge the alders for the city of Madison to support the Common Council's resolution opposing the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown at Truax Field..

As a veteran, I am not opposed to the military or the 115th Air Wing. However, I am opposed to basing the F-35's here in Madison due to the harmful impacts these aircraft will have on our community and the environment. The EIS clearly details these negative impacts, specifically highlighting most impacted subset of our community being the low-income communities who are primarily comprised of minorities and children.

Throughout Truax's history the military does not have a great pollution track record. If you look through records, there was reports of illegal dumping back in the 1980's. In addition to this, last year, Well 15 was closed/taken offline due to PFA contamination with the primary source being the Truax base. I can't help but wonder how long did our citizens drink that contaminated water? Wouldn't you want to know if the water coming out of your faucet, the water you and your wife/husband/children drink is safe?

We also need to consider the quality of life for the schools, childcare facilities, residents and businesses that will be impacted by the increased noise. My office overlooks the runway at Dane County Regional Airport, I see and hear the current F-16's operations almost daily and I know first hand how disruptive these aircraft are. I can't imagine how much more disruptive the F-35's will be, especially to the children who are learning and playing in this neighborhood. I am a father of three kids and I would never want my kids to have this type of disruption while at school, or out playing with their friends, and they are lucky they don't. Other children don't have an option. We need to lookout for them and their future.

I don't support the basing of the F35s in Madison and I urge you to support the common council's resolution. Now is the time to do something that can have the most lasting positive impact during a time when things seem daunting, unclear, and ominous. I urge you to do the right thing and support the Common Council's resolution.

Respectfully,

Ryan Hietpas

Veldran, Lisa

From: PATRICK MEYER <p.meyer@att.net>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 11:31 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Item 77

Common Council of Dane County

Please support item #77 to keep the F-35 jets from being stationed in Dane county. You have heard all the reasons, but I think paramount are the numerous environmental concerns. In this time of a global pandemic, I think it is obvious that our resources could be much better used than for this purpose. Please consider the impacts on many citizens of Dane county, many of whom have little voice but will suffer the most.

PLEASE SUPPORT ITEM #77. THANK YOU.

Sincerely,

Patrick Meyer, MD
Middleton, WI

Veldran, Lisa

From: Ellen Magee <ellenmageekayaks@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 11:50 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F 35 resolution

Please support this resolution. It will help to protect especially the children on the north side. It will help to prevent large public housing apartment complexes from being uninhabitable, and increasing homelessness, and it will help to prevent older folks like me from losing the value of our homes. Thank you, Ellen Magee 1941 Tennyson Ln.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Chris Klopp <gypsydancer@tds.net>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 12:09 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for Resolution Opposing F-35's

Members of the Madison Common Council,

I am writing to you to urge you to support the resolution opposing the F-35s, in response to the Final Environmental Impact Statement. Quality of Life is a valuable commodity. We are lucky to have a reasonable amount of it in Madison and the areas surrounding the City. Once destroyed, it is rare to be able to get it back. If you think that Quality of Life is a luxury item, you should consider what it provides for people's happiness, mental health and overall health, because these are all connected.

Moreover, the public should have a say in projects that affect their communities. Particularly those who cannot just pick up and move to another place like those in lower income brackets, the poor, homeless, and the elderly. Home owners who have invested in communities should also be considered, because the noise and pollution, not to mention other negative aspects of the F-35 siting will drive down property values. Please put yourself in their place. Madison is still a wonderful city. Let's not wreck it by allowing projects such as this to deteriorate our city. I believe the people have spoken. In a democracy, that should carry a great deal of weight. Additionally, I ask you to consider:

- There are statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thank you for your attention and thorough consideration of this issue.

Sincerely,

Chris Klopp

Veldran, Lisa

From: Dave Cooper <davecarrera4@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 12:20 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: No F 35s

As a registered voter, I wish to express my opinion. No F 35s in Madison. Send them elsewhere in a less populated area.

Thanks,
Dave Cooper
Wendell Way
DeForest
Sent from my iPad

Veldran, Lisa

From: Karen Miskimen <k09l06m04@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 12:23 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support Res 77 tomorrow, please

I've contacted my alder Patrick Heck and others about opposing the F-35 plans at Truax. Especially in this time of Covid-19, we appreciate the vital work of the Air National Guard and the 115th Fighter Wing. It'd be preferable to so many of us, that these resources be put towards missions that matter to our community, like medical projects or environmental protection.

The final EIS, like the draft version, projected significant harms to all of us in Madison, especially low-income families and children, and minorities. The predicted detrimental effects on those who live close to the base are greater for Madison folks than any other state's base. It's no wonder there's been such a groundswell of opposition to the F-35s at Truax and 30,000+ people nationwide stand in opposition to the F-35 program. They're ineffective, dangerous to pilots and civilians, extremely expensive, and poisonous to air, soil and water. Can we count on your commitment to the protecting the health and safety of our community, county and country? I'd rather hope so. Please vote YES for Resolution 77 on Tuesday 3/31. In partnership,

Kären (park the "car in" the garage) Miskimen
She/Her/Hers
9 Sherman Terrace #6
Madison, WI 53704
608-617-5909 (talk/text)
K09L06M04@gmail.com

Unless someone like you
cares a whole awful lot,
nothing is going to get better.
It's not.
Dr. Seuss

Veldran, Lisa

From: Karen Sieverkropp <kssiever1@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 12:38 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please SUPPORT Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown

I live in the Cherokee Gardens near the Cherokee Marsh. PLEASE vote against bringing F35's to Madison. It will destroy our neighborhood. The jets that currently fly cause a significant amount of noise, causing many of us to have to install double pane windows. A heavily populated urban area is NOT the appropriate place to position the extremely loud F35 jets!

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Sincerely,
Karen Sieverkropp
1502 Wheeler Road, Madison

Veldran, Lisa

From: Joesokolinsky <joesokolinsky@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 12:38 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison

Dear Alders:

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
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- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities

Sincerely,

Joe Sokolinsky

1602 Adams Street
Madison, WI 53711

Veldran, Lisa

From: David Peloza <dlpeloza@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 12:46 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

Dear all,

Please support the resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

I am a physician and father of a young child, and we live near Truax Field. Given my training, I know that my family and I will face significant and numerous negative health consequences if the F-35's are brought here.

I am not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing. I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.

The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. **The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.**

Again, I ask that you **please support the resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown" for your community.**

Sincerely,
David Peloza, MD
Whitetail Ridge Resident

Veldran, Lisa

From: paula rogge <roggepann@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:15 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the Resolution Opposing F-35's at Truax

3/30/20

Dear City Council members,

We are all very worried about what will happen to East Madison if the F35 fighter jets are based at Truax - chiefly due to the health and environmental dangers these jets pose and attendant decrease in quality of life. These dangers will have "trickle down" effects on property values, the city's tax base and people's willingness to live and invest in Madison long term.

Please protect the health and well being of our residents and protect our environment and vote in favor of the Resolution protesting the bed-down of F35's at Truax.

Sincerely, P. Rogge MD
1117 Alrita Ct.
Madison, Wi
53713

Veldran, Lisa

From: Kathleen Beckett <kbtraveler@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:18 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: No, No, No to the F-35s being based at Truax

- We don't need nuclear-ready jets in the midst of this heavily populated city.
- poorer
- The brunt of the unhealthy noise, will be on, for the most part, the poorer homeowners who bought their homes because they were affordable.
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- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
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- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
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- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
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- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

With hope for a "NO" vote from our dedicated city alders,
Kathleen Beckett
2533 Gregory Street
Madison WI 53711

Veldran, Lisa

From: Molly Mitchell <molly.kathleen.mitchell@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:19 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Council Resolution #77

Good afternoon,

I'm writing to support Council Resolution #77, because I am against the F-35 beddown at Truax field in Madison. The F-35 is by all accounts a terrible plane, and I am very opposed to tying the future our military base and personnel to an already-outdated piece of equipment.

Thank you,
Molly Mitchell
9 N. Third St.
Madison, WI 53704
608-807-7180

Veldran, Lisa

From: Lauren Buchholz <buchhla@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:23 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Agenda Item 77 F-35 review

I am in support of the resolution. I grew up in madison, moved away and have just moved back to help out with older parents. I am currently looking to buy a home and the potential of having F-35's flying out of truax is making me reconsider wanting to A) buy a home in madison and B) specifically buy one anywhere on the east side.

The ROI for this project does not make sense. There is no need for these jets in an urban setting like Madison.

Lauren
currently living in fitchburg

Veldran, Lisa

From: Nancy Lee <nancy2018lee@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:27 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Item 77

Please vote against basing the Air National Guard's military jets in Madison.

Nancy Lee

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Nancy Lee
New email: Nancy2018Lee@gmail.com

Veldran, Lisa

From: melanie crawford <dragonfly_mc@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:28 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

Dear Alders of Madison,

As a resident of Madison I ask you to support the Common Council's resolution, "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operation Beddown".

This resolution is not about opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing. We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children.

During this time of the CoVid19 crisis it has become increasingly clear that we are all interconnected and what we do matters. This is an opportunity for you find a solution that honors the truth that we ALL matter. I urge you to learn from CoVid19 and vote to support those who will be adversely impacted by the F-35s.

Thank you,
Melanie Crawford
606 Knickerbocker St
Madison WI 53711

Veldran, Lisa

From: Megan Mrozek <meganmrozek@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:30 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Re: Email expressing support for the Common Council's resolution

FYI, my address is 2022 Elka Lane, Apt 7, Madison WI 53704.

On Sun, Mar 29, 2020 at 8:39 PM Megan Mrozek <meganmrozek@gmail.com> wrote:

Greetings,

My name is Megan Mrozek and I am a resident of Madison's 12th District. I am writing you to ask that you support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown". I am in agreement with the following statements expressed by Safe Skies Clean Water Wisconsin:

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

I'm sure you have received many emails wherein these same statements have been copied and pasted, but I share and believe the sentiments expressed here, and I hope you heed our request. Thank you,

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Megan Mrozek
(815)-990-3702

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Megan Mrozek
(815)-990-3702

Veldran, Lisa

From: driskat <driskat@ameritech.net>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:32 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: No F-35's

Hello.

I hope all of you are safe & healthy.

I am writing to urge you support the resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

I live on the isthmus in one of the areas that would be negatively impacted by the extreme noise & the pollution from these aircraft. I feel the F-35's should be based in a far less populated area.

Thank you
Kathleen Driscoll
421 Walton Pl
Madison 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: David Short <short7505@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:37 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 beddown

Alders,

Please support the resolution opposing locating the F-35 aircraft in Madison.

David Short
7505 Farmington Way

Veldran, Lisa

From: alareda <alareda@gmail.com> on behalf of Anita Hecht <anita@lifehistoryservices.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:43 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: A Repeat Letter with Address!

I am writing to ask for your support of the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Bedgown."

We need the resources of our air national guard to help protect our community with medical support and missions that protect our public health and safety. Bedding down the F-35s in Madison is not only a proven, colossal waste of money, which does not add anything to our security or economic development as a city, but it will serve to further more environmental contamination, noise pollution, economic injustice and disparities, and it will severely damage the hearing, learning capacity, and mental health of our children, our vulnerable community members, and our elders. PLEASE keep Madison one of the best cities to live in in our country. As a resident here since 1973, I love my city and will do everything in my power to help heal it from the pandemic in our midst and to protect it from future disasters. I hope you do so as well. We are counting on your voice to say NO to the F-35s. They would be an unquestionable disaster for our city. Thank you for your public service and your much needed protection.

Sincerely,
Anita Hecht
503 S. Dickinson Street
Madison, WI 53703

Anita Hecht, LCSW
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Honor the Past, Capture the Present, Inform the Future

Veldran, Lisa

From: Beth Lindner <blindner2@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:45 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35's

Dear Alders,

Please do everything you can to avoid Madison being a base for the F-35's. There is data to support the negative effects of these fighter planes on human health. How about the Nevada desert where there is lots of room for them?

Thank you

Elizabeth Lindner, PhD, APNP
5106 Card Ave
McFarland, Wi 53558

Veldran, Lisa

From: Hannah Lee <casaelmilagro@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:45 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: No F-35's! Please vote against them coming to Truax!

Dear Alders:

While it is true that I would like to live in a world where F-35's were not a part of reality, that is unfortunately not the case.

My objection to these planes now is not that they exist, but that they will bring such damage to our community. Much of that damage has already been predicted; much has been underplayed by F-35 supporters; and much remains unforeseeable.

Please understand that in no way is this letter intended to convey lack of appreciation or support for the Air National Guard 115th Fighter Wing, although in this time of epidemic it is a misguided allocation of resources to be building fighter jets instead of ventilators!

My objection is to the placement of these jets at Truax Field.

Truax is FAR too close to densely populated areas. Most of the inhabitants of these areas are low-income and people of color. So, this placement targets this demographic, regardless of any argument to the contrary. As always, the poor and colored bear the burden of decisions made by those who do not have to live - if you call that living! - with the consequences of those decisions.

You have been made aware of over 50 local organizations who oppose these planes coming to Truax, and seen their statements. You know that the only argument in favor of F-35's at Truax is the spurious economic one.

Please, support this resolution conveying Madison's strong objection to F-35's being located at Truax Field!

Thank you.

Hannah Lee

3834 Whitman Lane #312

Madison WI 53704

608-588-7365

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Renee Grittner <renee.grittner@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:48 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please SUPPORT Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown

Dear Madison Alders,

I am writing you today to urge you to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown". This is not about opposing the Air National Guard, but about protecting some of Madisons most vulnerable communities. Besides their extreme negative impact on the environment, they are also very expensive and will not return on the investment. During a crisis like we are currently facing with COVID-19 how can we possibly justify spending so much money on aircraft? We need that money in our community to protect our health workers and support those who are unemployed or not receiving paychecks because their business are shut down by State directives.

Thank you,
Renee Grittner
1218 Bay Ridge Rd
Madison, WI 53716

Veldran, Lisa

From: mary conroy <mcnry6551@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:52 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution on F-35s impact

Dear Alders,

Please support the "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

I'm concerned about the massive costs of the program. We have more important things to spend money on, such as medical research, education and low-income housing.

The cost of 18 F-35As is nearly as much as 80,000 ventilators.

The toxic health and environmental effects of the F-35s are well documented. Some people may die as a result of an F-35 crashing, and the toxins released to the environment will take decades to remove. Putting the F-35s at Truax will endanger mostly children, minorities, and people who are poor.

- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thanks for considering my opinion. Be well.

Mary Conroy
3209 Center Ave.
Madison, WI 53704

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Erin K.S. Way <erinksway@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:52 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: In Support of Common Council Resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

Hello,

I am writing in support of the Common Council Resolution Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown.

As you know, the the resolution is not about opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing. We residents, your constituents are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children. We have statements from close to 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down. The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators. Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

I urge you and beg you to support this resolution to protect our homes and our neighbors' homes. This money would be better spent elsewhere, where it could help our communities rather than harming them.

Thank you,
Erin Way
209 N. 2nd St.
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Lorraine Rondon <lorraine@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:52 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s

I am very strongly **against** allowing F-35s at Truax Field.

L Rondon
Sherman Terrace
Madison Wi

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jonathan Isaac <jon.s.isaac@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:52 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the Common Council's resolution ""Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown""

Hello-

This is the first time I have emailed a city representative, so let me introduce myself. My name is Jon Isaac; I have lived in Madison for 4 years as a graduate student and employee at the University of Wisconsin–Madison. I have loved Madison, but I am terrified of the possibility of having the F-35s based at Truax Field in Madison. I oppose F-35s not only because they are planes of destruction, but also because they have an incredibly awful impact on the health of our community and on the environment more broadly. The people who you most need to support—low-income people, minorities, and children—are the ones who will be most adversely affected. It is unconscionable to think that basing the F-35s here is a possibility unless of course the goal of placing them here is money, and not community support.

Please, do the right thing and support the resolution.

Jon Isaac
1540 Adams St
Madison, WI 53711

Veldran, Lisa

From: Susan Nelson <nelson.nafrana@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:53 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the Common Council Resolution responding to the Air National Guard EIS

Dear City of Madison Alders,

Please support the Common Council Resolution responding to the Air National Guard EIS.

My opposition to the bed down of F-35s in Madison is not a condemnation of the work of the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing. I am opposed to this proposal because the presence of these planes in my neighborhood will make my family's home unlivable. Beyond my own situation, I know that the activities of the Air National Guard have already caused environmental damage in our communities and waterways. These environmental costs will only be exacerbated by the expansion necessary to house these new planes.

As a nation, we are long past the point of needing to make sustainable decisions for the future. It is clear that bringing the F-35 mission to Dane County is not sustainable for the health of our community.

Thank you,
Susan Nelson
202 N. Marquette Street
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Keith Heimforth <keithheimforth@uwalumni.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:53 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution opposing siting F-35s at Truax

To Madison City Council Alders:

I want to express my strong support for the resolution in opposition to siting F-35s at Truax (item #77 on the March 31 agenda). There are many reasons to oppose siting the jets here, but the 2 most important to me are:

1) the social/economic injustice, as detailed in the Air Force's Environmental Impact Statement. Siting the jets here is contrary to the expressed values and goals of the city, county and state in trying to reduce income inequality and social inequities. And per Air Force information there will not even be significant additional economic benefit for the area. Much of the supposed benefit will be sourced outside of Dane County, and there is no evidence that the loss of the jets will endanger the 115th mission.

2) The environmental impact, especially regarding PFAS that will be unearthed in construction and compounded during training exercises. This relates to the #1 as well, since much of the contamination will affect water (including drinking water) in the area. But the effects will be felt city- and county-wide, as PFAS go into the lakes.

Thank you all for the work you continue to do in these times, and for your consideration of this issue and my comments.

Keith Heimforth
3721 Busse St.
Madison, WI 53714

Veldran, Lisa

From: Stef O'Keefe <stef.dickens@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:56 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the Common Council's new resolution re f-35

Hello, Please support the Common Council's new resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

I live near the airport in Westport and know of families very near the airport worried for their health and safety.

- This resolution is not about opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from close to 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.
- More information at safeskiescleanwaterwi.org

Thank you,
Stefanie O'Keefe
5514 Sunset Trail
Waunakee, WI 53597

Veldran, Lisa

From: Frederick Ellsworth <faerocklake@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:46 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution Concerning F-35A Final EIS

Dear Alders,

- This resolution is not about opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from close to 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
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- More information at safeskiescleanwaterwi.org

A big Thank You to Alder Kemble for your support for the best interests of your constituency.

Sincerely,

Frederick and Cheryl Ellsworth
17 Vermont Circle
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Chuck Schobert <poodledok@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 1:59 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: No F-35's

Dear Alders

I am strongly opposed to the basing of the F-35 here (or anywhere). I live on the near east side, Hudson Park area, in the flight path of both commercial and F-16's. Commercial planes, I can accept. The F-16's and their whine and incredibly loud engines are horrible. I have wished many times that you would do something to rid our city of those as well.

And now they want to put the F-35 here. Even noisier. More environmental damage. Not really a benefit to the community economically. That's a joke. So vote against this. Keep them out of our community. And please persuade the mayor to do the right thing and vote against the F-35.

Thanks,
Chuck Schobert
2709 Oakridge Avenue
Madison, WI 53704

A mystic is anyone who has a gnawing suspicion that the apparent discord, brokenness, contradictions and discontinuities that assault us every day might conceal a hidden unity.....

—Krista Tippet

Veldran, Lisa

From: Stephanie W <justswell84@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:02 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please Support the Common Council's Resolution

Good afternoon,

I am writing this morning to urge the alders for the city of Madison to support the Common Council's Resolution Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown.

I would like to point out that I am not opposed to the ANG or the 115th, I am opposed to BASING the F-35's in Madison because of the harmful effects such as noise/hearing damage they will cause to those living/working near the Truax field, as well as due to the pollution. Well 15, the well that supplied water to my home/my family, has been taken offline for the foreseeable future due to PFAs contamination from the Truax base, and they have yet to address this issue, nor have they said how they plan to clean Starkweather Creek which now has the highest levels of PFAs ever reported, which also flow into Lake Monona keep in mind.

In addition to the pollution, I would like to add that the communities most impacted by the negative aspects (air, ground, water, noise pollution) are primarily people of color, low-income, minorities, and children. There are dozens of day cares, elementary, and middle schools around the area that are impacted already by the F16s. Madison has a stance of keeping affordable housing, and I see this do nothing except push people (like myself) from our homes with little to no recourse. I recently had to sell my home in the Carpenter Ridgeway neighborhood for fear of losing it due to the F35's coming (or juts lack of noise mitigation help which I learned through various meetings is no guarantee and can take years to be approved IF approve), it was the hardest choice I have made as this was my home for almost a decade, and I loved my neighborhood and DID NOT WILLINGLY LEAVE, again I left due to the strong possibility of the F35s being based in Madison, and unfortunately not even the far east side or Sun Prairie seems to be far enough away from the F16s...so the question remains, will I not have to try to move again? I sure hope not, and I would hope this wouldn't be a choice any of you would have to make either. I ask that you treat this as if they were basing these F35's a mile from your home. I assure you a mile isn't far enough away, neither is 6, and F35s are much louder not to mention they will fly BOTH F16's and F35s for an "unknown" period of time before they phase the F16s out. That means louder decibel levels than accounted for on the EIS, that alone should worry everyone and make them ask more questions.

Last, I want to point out the current Coronavirus pandemic. We are currently in a place no one really alive has dealt with before. We are losing the battle and thousands of lives are have already been lost in the United States. We are running out of ventilators and crucial supplies that are needed to both keep medical professionals safe as well as help covid infected patients survive. The war that is going on is a virus, F35s won't save or help us. In fact all of the tax payer's money that has been funneled into this project could be going to help buy medical supplies that are crucial right now. A \$400,000 F35 pilot's helmet could instead buy ventilators, medical masks, be given a factory to produce more needed supplies etc.

Now is the time to do something that can have the most positive impact during a time when things seem daunting, unclear, and ominous. I urge you to do the right thing and support the Common Council's resolution.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Well
6614 Fieldwood Rd
Madison WI, 53718

Veldran, Lisa

From: Mary Moore and Claire Wendland <wendlandmoore@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:03 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: RES-19-00588

I am a resident of Madison's west side writing to urge you to support the Madison Common Council's resolution (RES-19-00588): "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

I believe that placing the the F35s at Truax would have terrible effects on the health and well-being of northeast side neighborhood, and that these effects would be borne disproportionately by more vulnerable low-income folks and people of color. That's just wrong.

I also believe now more than ever, as we face a national public health emergency and a looming recession, that the F35 program is simply too expensive financially and environmentally.

Please support the Common Council resolution and save our community from this kind of damage.

Stay well,
Mary Moore, CNM
602 Orchard Drive
Madison WI 53711

Veldran, Lisa

From: sue ortiz <2kiddens12@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:03 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s at truax

We are opposed to basing the f-35s at truax in madison.the tax payer will get stuck with the bill for maintaining this aircraft.the cost is excessive.we need the funding for other uses. This jet will harm the environment,wildlife and people. A lot of people have signed a petition to keep this aircraft out of Wisconsin. The f-16 Will protect Wisconsin. Thank you for reading this. David Ortiz
7619 west Norwood lane Franklin,Wisconsin 53132

Veldran, Lisa

From: espressowireless <espressowireless@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:04 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposing F-35 at the airport

Hi,

My name is Jamie Lovely. My address is 3366 East Washington Avenue in Madison. My family will be greatly affected by the noise of the F-35's. My children have disabilities and two of the have sensory processing disorders that make them particularly vulnerable to loud sounds. One of my children already covers his ears and hides when he hears the F-16's. He and his brother are consumers of the children's long term support waiver program. My oldest, in comprehensive community services, as well as myself. I have complex PTSD as I am a survivor of domestic violence. My startle response is elevated; my partner whistles as he walks up the driveway after work or enters a room that I occupy.

These jets will only make matters more challenging for us. Both physically and mentally, but also financially. Our property value will decrease. Homes in the neighborhood will be inhabitable; what does that leave for a community?

Our water will continue to be polluted. We cannot afford to buy our water. Our land will continue to be pumped with PFAS.

We do not have the privilege of moving. This is our home. We cannot afford to sell our home and spend time and energy finding a new place to call home.

Please consider the negative impacts on the children in schools. Noise cannot be mitigated when outside. Our children won't get back the time of missed instruction time with F-35's fly over and constantly interrupt the learning environment.

My hope is that my voice and the voices of my neighbors are heard, respected, and responded to as if we were your neighbors asking you to politely keep the noise down; so that others may experience a sense of peace and well being.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration.

Warmly,
Jamie

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S8, an AT&T 5G Evolution capable smartphone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Stephanie W <justswell84@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:04 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: SUPPORT the Common Council's Resolution

Good afternoon,

I am writing this morning to urge the alders for the city of Madison to support the Common Council's Resolution Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown.

I am not opposed to the ANG or the 115th, I am opposed to BASING the F-35's in Madison because of the harmful effects to the environment as well as to the negative impacts it will have on low-income communities primarily composed of minorities and children.

The military doesn't have a great pollution track record, if you look through records, there was reports of illegal dumping back in the 1980's. In addition to this, last year, Well 15 was closed/taken offline due to PFA contamination. How long did I drink that contaminated water I often wonder. Information that would be good to know, and interestingly enough I had to proactively look into what well I was on and the quality of the water and that's when I found out it had been taken offline, after the fact.

Would you want to know if the water coming out of your faucet, the water you and your wife/husband/children drink, would you want to know if it was safe? Do you deserve to know? If you can't honestly answer yes, then there are bigger problems.

I don't support the basing of the F35s in Madison and I urge you to support the common council's resolution.

Last, I want to point out the current Coronavirus pandemic. We are currently in a place no one really alive has dealt with before. We are losing the battle and thousands of lives are have already been lost in the United States. We are running out of ventilators and crucial supplies that are needed to both keep medical professionals safe as well as help covid infected patients survive. The war that is going on is a virus, F35s won't save or help us. In fact all of the tax payer's money that has been funneled into this project could be going to help buy medical supplies that are crucial right now. A \$400,000 F35 pilot's helmet could instead buy ventilators, medical masks, be given a factory to produce more needed supplies etc.

Now is the time to do something that can have the most positive impact during a time when things seem daunting, unclear, and ominous. I urge you to do the right thing and support the Common Council's resolution.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Well
6614 Fieldwood Rd
Madison WI, 53718

From: Barbara With <barbwith@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:05 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: SUPPORT COMMON COUNCIL RESOLUTION F-35A

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

Resolution:

WHEREAS, on September 17, 2019 the Madison Common Council adopted RES-19-00588, "Responding to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"; and,

WHEREAS, in that resolution, the Madison Common Council requested that "the Air National Guard (ANG) reconsiders the selection of Truax Field as a preferred location until and unless the findings of the EIS are shown to misrepresent the significant environmental impacts to those living, working, and visiting the north and east sides of Madison"; and,

WHEREAS, the Final EIS released on February 18, 2020, confirms the significant environmental impacts identified in the Draft EIS, including substantially reduced quality and quantity of current affordable housing stock, decreased value of the property tax base, reduced opportunities for Transit-Oriented Development, ongoing soil, ground and surface water PFAS contamination violations by the ANG, significant adverse health effects that disproportionately affect children, residents who are low income and people of color; and,

WHEREAS, these impacts are contrary to the City of Madison's values of equity, sustainability, health and adaptability as codified in our Comprehensive Plan adopted in 2018, the City's Racial Equity and Social Justice Initiative, and undermine multiple long-term goals of City policy makers,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that based on the significant adverse impacts identified in the Final EIS to multiple neighborhoods in and around the north and east sides of Madison, the Madison Common Council opposes the selection of Truax Field in Madison, WI as a preferred location for the 5th Operational Beddown and requests that the Secretary of the US Air Force not move forward with a beddown of F-35A jets at Truax Field, and to remove Truax Field from future consideration; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the City of Madison Clerk forwards this resolution to the Secretary of the Air Force, US Senators Tammy Baldwin and Ron Johnson, Congressman Mark Pocan, Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers, Wisconsin Senators Miller, Risser, Erpenbach, Wisconsin Assembly Representatives Sargent, Taylor, Hesselbein, Anderson, Subeck, Stubbs and Hebl, the Dane County Board & County Executive Parisi, and Dane County Airport Commission & Director.

Barbara With
701 Abby Lane
LA Pointe WI 54850

From: Wendy Beckman <wendy.beckman@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:07 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the Common Council's resolution - do not base F-35s at Truax

Hello alders,

I am a resident at 2737 Coolidge St in the Eken Park neighborhood in Madison, and I am concerned with the overall negative impact basing F-35s at Truax will have on my neighborhood and the larger community around me.

This resolution is NOT about opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing. This IS about the negative effects bringing in these planes will have on the physical and environmental health of myself, my neighbors, and our living space. The Environmental Impact Statement from the ANG brought some of these issues to light, including the likelihood that over 100 homes will likely be deemed "incompatible for residential use." Considering the potential that ~60 jobs may be created by the beddown here, I think displacing 100 homes/families far outweighs any positive of adding this amount of military jobs.

I strongly urge you to support the Common Council's resolution which opposes the bed down of F-35s in Madison, for the health and happiness of our community.

Thank you,
Wendy Beckman

Veldran, Lisa

From: Frederick Trost <fredericktrost@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:08 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

Dear Alders,

I write from afar (Arizona) urging you to approve the resolution related to the F-35.

I write on behalf of my former neighbors, some of whom live on the city's north side.

The F-35 will have a severe impact on the quality of life in Madison; a city I cherish and admire; where my children were raised.

In addition, its vast cost (and over-runs) are a disgrace; a sad gift to the weapons makers, while millions of children go without the basics of a humane society.

Those jets will not protect the city. Potentially, they will make the city a target and thus a dangerous place to be.

Stay safe!

Respectfully,

Frederick Trost
10401 N. Saguaro Blvd., #219
Fountain Hills, AZ 85268

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Frederick R. Trost

Veldran, Lisa

From: Colleen Condon <colleenroarkcondon@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:09 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support Resolution 77 tomorrow

Hello,

As a mom, a school social worker, and a yoga teacher, I'm writing to ask you to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown". I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.

Thank you,
Colleen--
Colleen Condon

"There is a light in all of us. We only need to share it." ~Sarvodaya Movement

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jim Goronson <sonofgor@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:10 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: I support the resolution opposing F-35s

Greetings,

I ask you to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- The Safe Skies Clean Water Coalition has statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Best,
Jim

Veldran, Lisa

From: Brad Horn <bradhorn@ibiblio.org>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:12 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please don't oppose the F-35 EIS

My goodness, we're in Madison and we're *opposing* an Environmental Impact Statement?

I doubt that's the kind of decision that sits well with a person's conscience over time. Perhaps I'm wrong.

Please reconsider.

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BRAD HORN
Madison, Wisc.
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From: Progress Builders <progressbuilders@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:13 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: f-35's

dear alders, please oppose the bedding of the F-35's at truax in madison. the negative impact on the environment; health; well-being and most importantly on property values is too great to allow . my property and many others will impacted so negatively that the environmental impact statement itself called these areas/ homes "incompatible" with residential use/ occupancy if the F-35 's are allowed here due to their extreme noise levels. please oppose them being here in madison.

respectfully ,
chris muchka.
citizen/ home owner
2835 hoard st
madison , wi 53704
608-516-0521

Sent from my iPhone

From: Erin Liljegren <erinliljegren@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:14 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Final EIS for F-35 Beddown

Dear Alders of Madison,

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

- This resolution is not about opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from close to 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thank you for your support and attention. This is an imperative time for health for our nation.

Well Wishes,
Erin Liljegren

Veldran, Lisa

From: David Giffey <barnowl1941@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:17 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: No F-35s

Dear Council Persons,

Please say "no" to F-35s at Truax Field. We don't live in Madison. We have lived in Iowa County since 1983, and are acutely aware of military air traffic from Truax Field. The peaceful rural valley in which we live has been a flight path for countless Air Force aircraft over the years, apparently because it reminded someone of topography in other countries. We have friends and acquaintances who live in Madison and would suffer mentally and financially if you don't stand against this threat to the peacefulness of Madison and beyond. I am a veteran of the U.S. Army and the war in Vietnam. I implore you to help reduce the threat of nuclear war and violence by saying no to the F-35s.

Thank you,

David Giffey
6686 Amacher Hollow Road
Arena, Wisconsin 53503-9403

Veldran, Lisa

From: Bradley Geyer <geyerb@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:21 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support resolution responding to EIS the impact is unacceptable

Madison Alders:

Please support the Common Council's resolution...

“Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown.”

I oppose the F-35's coming to Truax. To harm minorities while enriching the rich is environmental racism, the poor should not be making all of these sacrifices either. The noise will be 3 - 4 times as loud according to Air Force figures in Vermont and Arizona: figures for the LMAx, loudest noise with afterburner, which the Air Force refuses to provide for Madison.

Bringing the F-35's to Truax airfield would increase CO2 greenhouse gas emissions by approximately 12,478 tons or 135 percent, this is equivalent to adding an additional 2,438 passenger vehicles onto Madison roads.

It is acceptable that and children, schools or day cares be allowed to remain in the loudest noise zones, and moving them needs to be funded by the federal government or from Lockheed funding. These entities are responsible for the harm. Similarly they should clean up the toxins they have placed in our water and soil. It seems to me that we have become a third world country since the corporate rulers have taken over our government in the past 50 years since the Powell Memo and Buckley and Citizens United.

Tens of thousands of people across the nation have demanded that the F-35 program be cancelled. It is a scam. The cost of the F-35 program and our other military spending is ridiculously high. This is not for defense, it is was profiteering.

I support our armed forces. In fact, I served in the US Air Force and with the 115 Fighter Wing for 13 years including Desert Storm and the War on Terror.

I recommend that you question the claims from the Chamber of Commerce and its front organization Badger Air, these people are acting more like lobbyists for Lockheed Martin than responsible community members.

My Regards,
Brad Geyer

3834 Whitman Lane Apt 204
Madison WI 53704

920.650.0052

Veldran, Lisa

From: Matthew Nafranowicz <matthew@thestraightthread.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:21 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 resolution

Dear City of Madison Alders,

I support the Common Council Resolution responding to the Air National Guard EIS. I support the work of the Air National Guard and the 115th Fighter Wing, but I am very opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison.

The cost of the F-35 is excessive and these planes will harm community health and will be disproportionately affected. My family lives near Starkweather Creek which has high levels of PFAS most likely coming from the existing training exercises at Truax.

My children attend Lowell Elementary School and O'Keeffe Middle School; in both school learning is already adversely affected by the F-16s. This would only increase with the introduction of the F-35s into our communities

My business is located on Atwood Ave where the noise from the F-16s is already an issue.

Ultimately, bringing the F-35s to Truax will make a neighborhood that has experienced significant growth in the last 15 years less desirable.

Real estate values will decrease and people will not want to spend time in this part of the city. If this goes forward, it will have a real financial impact on my life, but it will also degrade my community.

Please support the resolution that opposes the F-35 beddown at Truax.

Matthew Nafranowicz

The Straight Thread
1960 Atwood Ave.
Madison, WI 53704
608-250-5135

<https://smex12-5-en-ctp.trendmicro.com:443/wis/clicktime/v1/query?url=www.thestraightthread.com&umid=a0f0ca0e-490b-45e2-b388-094a8f605c6a&auth=f3d996c83dbc92895b11b4f2a0b957cbc0712333-b84596e72574338ed84e82467d9635d0ddb7c17d>

Veldran, Lisa

From: Kimberly Smith <kimberlybrownsmith@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:29 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the Common Council's resolution!

Hello Alders,

Please support the common council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

- This resolution is not about opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- **My family is opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children.**
- We have statements from close to 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.
- More information at safeskiescleanwaterwi.org

Please help us prevent the F-35s from basing in Madison!

Thank you,

Kimberly Smith
4406 Prairieview Drive
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: scott maxwell <jsmnuk2764@att.net>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:34 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

From: J. Scott Maxwell
1620 N. Golf Glen Unit D
Madison WI 53704

Please support the following resolution:

WHEREAS, on September 17, 2019 the Madison Common Council adopted RES-19-00588, “Responding to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown”; and,

WHEREAS, in that resolution, the Madison Common Council requested that “the Air National Guard (ANG) reconsiders the selection of Truax Field as a preferred location until and unless the findings of the EIS are shown to misrepresent the significant environmental impacts to those living, working, and visiting the north and east sides of Madison”; and,

WHEREAS, the Final EIS released on February 18, 2020, confirms the significant environmental impacts identified in the Draft EIS, including substantially reduced quality and quantity of current affordable housing stock, decreased value of the property tax base, reduced opportunities for Transit-Oriented Development, ongoing soil, ground and surface water PFAS contamination violations by the ANG, significant adverse health effects that disproportionately affect children, residents who are low income and people of color; and,

WHEREAS, these impacts are contrary to the City of Madison’s values of equity, sustainability, health and adaptability as codified in our Comprehensive Plan adopted in 2018, the City’s Racial Equity and Social Justice Initiative, and undermine multiple long-term goals of City policy makers,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that based on the significant adverse impacts identified in the Final EIS to multiple neighborhoods in and around the north and east sides of Madison, the Madison Common Council opposes the selection of Truax Field in Madison, WI as a preferred location for the 5th Operational Beddown and requests that the Secretary of the US Air Force not move forward with a beddown of F-35A jets at Truax Field, and to remove Truax Field from future consideration; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the City of Madison Clerk forwards this resolution to the Secretary of the Air Force, US Senators Tammy Baldwin and Ron Johnson, Congressman Mark Pocan, Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers, Wisconsin Senators Miller, Risser, Erpenbach, Wisconsin Assembly Representatives Sargent, Taylor, Hesselbein, Anderson, Subeck, Stubbs and Hebl, the Dane County Board & County Executive Parisi, and Dane County Airport Commission & Director.

Thank you,

J. Scott Maxwell

Veldran, Lisa

From: Laura Vogel <lauralvits@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:35 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: March 31 Agenda item 77

Good afternoon Alders,

I respectfully request that you vote to support Agenda item 77, regarding the siting of F-35s at Truax Field. Please know that I support and have the utmost respect for our brothers and sisters in the military and I am not opposed to the 115th Fighter Wing. What I do oppose is the siting of F-35s at Truax Field because of the harmful impacts to our wonderful community. In particular, I am concerned about the negative effects to the most vulnerable of our population - children, minorities, and those below the poverty level, of which Madison's northside (near Truax Field) has a large concentration. I am confident that you read the EIS in great detail and saw for yourself these clearly-identified harmful impacts.

Please give a voice to the voiceless by supporting Agenda item 77 and sending a message that Truax Field is not a proper location for the F-35As.

Thank you for your continued service to our community.

Respectfully,

Laura Vogel
4 Bayside Drive
Madison 53704
(608) 244-7187

Veldran, Lisa

From: Shirley Smith <shirleydsmith2014@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:36 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support Resolution to the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Air National Guard Operational Beddown

Dear city alders:

We know there are many, many reasons the beddown of the F-35s is harmful to people and the environment. This knowledge outweighs the commercial reasons. Let's learn from the current COVID-19 crisis. Please support the resolution opposing the F-35 implementation at Truax. I strongly agree with each of these points from Safe Skies Clean Water:

(I mistakenly went online to the survey and opposed the resolution 😊)

- This resolution is not about opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
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- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Shirley D. Smith
1634 Randy Lane
Madison WI 53704

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1634 Randy Lane
Madison WI 53704
608.332.6506

From: Kristina Marie Fullerton Rico <kristinamarie.f@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:36 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

- This resolution is not about opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
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- More information at safeskiescleanwaterwi.org

Kristina Fullerton | 115 N. Ingersoll St. Madison, WI 53703

Veldran, Lisa

From: Anthony Frey <anthony@requestresponse.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:37 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: 115th Fighter Wing Resolution

I'm writing to voice my opposition to the Anti-115th Fighter Wing resolution and request that the sponsors of this resolution pull it from Tuesday's agenda.

- In the midst of a public health emergency, Madison's alders should follow public health guidance and focus on essential business
- At a time when hundreds of Guardsmen have been activated by the Governor in response to COVID-19, Madison alders should not oppose an aircraft upgrade that would secure the future of our Air National Guard for another three decades
- While Madison residents are working to keep their families safe and keep food on the table, Madison alders are challenging us to divert our energies toward their charade, spinning up a divisive local debate on a federal decision
- Our Guardsmen deserve better and the City of Madison deserves better

Thank You,
Anthony Frey

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jepsen, Ed
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:42 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Oppose F-35 placement at Truax Field

Please support the Common Council's resolution opposing the placement of the Air National Guard F-35 at Truax Field.

My opposition to the F-35 placement is not against the Air National Guard 115th Fighter Wing.

I believe the harmful health and environmental effects would disproportionately affect low-income families, minorities and children.

Sincerely,
Ed Jepsen

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: debneulander <dneulander@charter.net>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:43 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: No F-35's

I'll be brief.

We didn't need nor want F-35's in Madison before the pandemic and we certainly don't need nor want them now.

How many ventilators, PPE's could 1 F-35 buy?
How many people could be housed, fed and kept safe from illness?
How many hospitals could be supported for any number of these useless planes?

There is never a good time to have F-35's in a heavily populated area especially an area where they will displace and sicken, traumatize marginalized populations.

We need to re-invest in our infrastructure to get through this pandemic and beyond. F-35's are not a part of this present nor Madison's future.

Please be smart, stop being stupid and think of the big picture.

Deb Neulander

PS: someone shake Tammy Baldwin

Veldran, Lisa

From: John O. <jeoh32@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:45 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Outrageous!

Attention Madison Alders,

I relocated to the east side of Madison last fall and I love it. This is a delightful community. It boggles my mind to think that anyone would even consider degrading this special place (and I've lived all over this country) by welcoming the environmental disaster known as the F-35. And for what, a handful of imported jobs? What are you thinking!? Whatever, be mindful that one of the first things I did after moving here was register to vote. Remember that, I won't forget.

John O'Hora

1945 E. Dayton St.
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Renny Clukas <reyncluk@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:47 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Truax Field

To all Alders: Please don't interfere with the decision to place the new Air Force jets here. They wont add any more noise or hot air than you all are producing now!

Thank you.
Renny Clukas

Veldran, Lisa

From: Betty Braden <betty@bbraden.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:49 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

Greetings,

My name is Betty Braden, and I reside at 41 Golf Parkway in Cherokee in Madison.

I am writing to ask you to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown" when you cast your vote at the Madison Common Council meeting tomorrow night, Tuesday, March 31

This resolution is all about opposing the dangerous and damaging health and environmental effects to disproportionately affected low-income folks, minorities and children . . . my neighbors, my community. I do not and never have opposed the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing, nor the numerous flights they have made over my home over many years. However, I believe it is the height of irresponsibility to locate the F-35's at Truax in Madison in a residential area, where so many will be harmfully affected. It is not the right or best location for this equipment.

It is important to note that around 50 local and state organizations have issued statements opposing the Truax site for F-35's.

I expect my local government representatives to support the health and safety needs of the people who have elected them. Please do not expose us to the dangers the F-35 placement at Truax will pose.

Thank you,

Betty Braden
41 Golf Parkway
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Deacon Tim Reilly <deacontimreilly@outlook.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:49 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support of F-35

For those Alders considering a vote in opposition of the F-35's, I ask that you reconsider. I hear them all the time and grew up under the flight path. The noise is a small price to pay for our support of America and her security. Thank you

Tim Reilly
710 Callisto Dr.
Madison, WI 53718

Veldran, Lisa

From: Joseph Johns <josephjohnsiv@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:54 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Re: In Opposition to F-35s coming to Trax

2826 hoard st. Madison wi. 53704

- We **are not** opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We **are** opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
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Thank you,

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Joseph F. Johns IV

On Mon, Mar 30, 2020 at 7:53 AM Joseph Johns <josephjohnsiv@gmail.com> wrote:

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Thank you,

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Joseph F. Johns IV

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Joseph F. Johns IV

Veldran, Lisa

From: Holly Cohn <hollycohn1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 2:59 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please Support the new Resolution opposing F-35s at Truax

Our mental and physical health depend on it.

Thank you,
Holly Cohn

3014 Oakridge Avenue
Madison, WI 53704

From: Alison Mahoney <alisonmahoney43@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:00 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please SUPPORT the resolution to prevent F-35 beddown in Madison

Dear Alders of Madison,

We urge you to **SUPPORT** the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown" at tomorrow's meeting.

I live at 145 Corry Street just around the corner from the Goodman Community Center. We get traffic from F-16s both circling around the house and in, or very close to, the commercial jet landing path. I can only describe their sound as blood curdling. Going inside the house doesn't seem to change it much. I have heard that the F-35s are "four times louder." It is difficult for me to imagine what this will be like when they fly overhead – and fly more often.

The summary of the Environmental Impact Statement reports that among the five proposed F-35 bedding sites, Madison has the most increased acreage and added households/inhabitants of houses within the 70-75 dB contour. It is second only to the Michigan base in the number of additional households and inhabitants within the expanded 65 dB contour. Three other sites would have many, many fewer affected households and people, which makes those sites better candidates for housing the jets.

The summary also reports that hosting the F-35 would "significantly and disproportionately impact low-income and minority communities and children" in both Madison and Montgomery. Housing the F-35 at the other locations *does not adversely affect* low-income and minority communities. The Michigan plan does affect some schools but children are not affected in Jacksonville or Boise.

I've done some preliminary research on the effects of low-altitude aircraft noise. It damages human health through the stress of annoyance, hypertension, hearing loss; there may also be links to cardiovascular disease. It is particularly concerning that aircraft noise impacts childrens' ability to learn and remember.

Three other proposed bedding sites affect many fewer people and do not impact low-income, minority families, and children. Why unnecessarily cripple the future livability and prosperity of the East and North Sides of our city? Why force students to stop communicating in their classrooms as the jets fly over? Evidence suggests that peoples' well-being is increased by enjoying the outdoors. F-35s will further encourage everyone to remain inside.

The economic benefits for a very few do not outweigh the obvious harms to thousands that will result if F-35s are "bedded down" in Madison.

Yours truly,

Alison Mahoney
Tim Mahoney

Veldran, Lisa

From: Yael Gen <Yael@yaelgendesign.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:04 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: I support the Common Council resolution responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown

To the Common Council:

I urge you to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown" in opposition of F-35s in Madison.

Hearing loss, sleep disruption, learning issues, and PFAS are a few of the reasons we should object F-35s in our community.

I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children. Madison is a poor fit, an inappropriate location due to the proximity of densely populated areas.

Thank you,
Yael Gen
860 Woodrow Street
Madison, WI 53711

Veldran, Lisa

From: Paula Angeline <angeline.nowaczyk@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:06 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

Veldran, Lisa

From: Dennis Brown <bigchuck2810@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:07 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison

To Whom It May Concern:

- This resolution is not about opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- I live at 1207 Jenifer Street and the noise level caused by the F-35s are extremely loud causing pain to my ears when the F-35s pass over our neighborhood coming in for landing.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thank you,
Cindy Brown

Veldran, Lisa

From: Lewis Koch <lewiskoch@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:14 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: PLEASE OPPOSE 'BEDDOWN' OF F-35S in Madison

Dear Alders,

I writing to ask that you support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

As my friends and I all agree:

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- **We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax** in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- There are statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. **Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.**
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

PLEASE VOTE to oppose basing this reckless and wasteful war machine in our peaceful city.

Thank you,

Lewis Koch,
a long-time Eken Park (Madison- east) resident

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jean Whitcomb <hannahwhitcomb@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:18 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please Support "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

Hello,

I am resident of the Madison east side, and I am concerned about the potential beddown of F35s at Truax. I encourage you to please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown". The beddown in a dense residential community (such as the one surrounding Truax) will have very serious negative long-term financial and environmental impacts.

I understand that the noise alone will make hundreds of millions of dollars worth of residential housing incompatible with residential use due to noise. Day night average noise levels are expected to be 65 dB and include frequent noise levels comparable to jackhammers (e.g. on takeoff). Long term there may be funds available to property owners for mitigation but there is no timeline or guarantee, the AF claims no authority to expend these funds, and full mitigation is not possible.

AF-caused PFA-contamination is already extremely high in the area of Truax which will have serious health and financial impacts on local residents as PFAs travel into surface water and our water supply. It is my understanding that the AF does not consider cleanup, prevention, and mitigation of noise/chemical pollution the AF causes to be their responsibility. So whose responsibility is it?!

Unless the Air Force can be required to cleanup existing contamination (prior to beginning construction) and prevent and/or fully mitigate noise, soil, and water pollution and other environmental impacts in the area, then I am strongly opposed to the selection of Truax.

Thank you for whatever you can do to require the AF and federal government to address these problems or, failing that, to prevent the AF from using Truax for this purpose.

Jean Whitcomb

941 Harvey Terrace

Veldran, Lisa

From: John Herbst <jmherbst76@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:19 PM
To: All Alders

Dear Alders of the City of Madison:

I'm writing to ask for your support of the common council's resolution
"Responding to the final Environmental Impact Statement. (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational
Beddown."

I don't oppose the ANG or 115th fighter wing. I hear the F-16s roar overhead most days I'm at home.
I'm aware the F-35 is much louder & will negatively impact learning at any schools in the flightpath of these jets.

They will also lower property values, tax base, & quality of life in affected areas. Especially hard hit by F-35
introduction are communities of low income, minority, & children.

Thank you for taking my observations into consideration before voting on this matter.

John Herbst
2604 Fairfield Pl, Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: John Mccracken <jmcjmc451@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:20 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: esponding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown

- This resolution is not about opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from close to 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.
- More information at safeskiescleanwaterwi.org

John McCracken
2417 Dahle Stree
Madison, WI 53704

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John McCracken | Madison, WI
he/him/his
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signup for my weekly [music newsletter](#)

From: Bill Serdynski <bserdy@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:24 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Against the F-35s

Please support the resolution opposing the F-35s. I live at:
925 Menomonie Ln, Madison, WI 53704

- This resolution is not about opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
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Thanks,
William Serdynski

From: Karen Matteoni <karenahome@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:25 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Oppose the F-35's

The F-35's will significantly impact our city. The noise and pollution is a serious issue. The entire environmental impact statement is suspect. The first draft indicated that 1000 homes would not be habitable but the second draft says 2000 homes. My home is already having problems with their existing jets but my home is not included in either estimate. The Air Force had all the information to correctly determine the impact but they were off by 100%. Can we trust any of their numbers?

There would be a significant financial burden on the City of Madison residents including reduced tax base, air pollution, noise pollution, and water pollution. The Air Force has not been a responsible neighbor to our City. They have polluted Starkweather Creek and Lake Monona with PFAS that cannot be mitigated. They will not take any responsibility for any of their adverse actions.

Please vote to oppose the F-35's. At this time our country has far more important needs for our federal tax dollars because of the Covid 19 virus. This is not the time to squander our tax dollars on the F-35's.

Karen Matteoni
1710 Yahara Place
Madison, Wi. 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Alfred Rasho <northstreetbooking@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:29 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F 35s

I moved to Madison almost 7 years ago to help in opening Tip Top Tavern and more recently North Street Cabaret. As we renovated, I watched an entire community change from a community on the edge to a thriving one. I was pleased and proud to join the community and buy a house in the neighborhood where I work.

Historically, the middle class has made its fortune through real estate. The F35 program would devastate the real estate market and our sweet community.

In my previous career I was a filmmaker and made several political commercials for U S Congressman Henry Hyde in opposing the expansion at O'Hare. I'm too old to once again become an activist. Please do the right thing. Please save our neighborhood and let us continue in our path to building a healthy and thriving community.

Respectfully,
Alfred Rasho

www.abrasho.com
312-510-2334

Veldran, Lisa

From: Becky Jones <rivkasue@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:30 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Responding to EIS for F-35A

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- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Sincerely,
Becky Jones
Madison, WI

Veldran, Lisa

From: Miryam Bernard-Donals <miryamcbd@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:33 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support Common Council's resolution

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
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- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thank you,
Miryam Bernard -Donals

Veldran, Lisa

From: Rick Strickland <rick.a.strickland@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:33 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

I urge you to oppose the basing of F-35 Jets at Truax. The environmental and relocation costs to our community are way too high especially for military hardware that has been shown to ineffective and a waste of money.

Rick Strickland
9 Frederick Circle
Madison, WI 53711

Veldran, Lisa

From: j jackson <jjackson444@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:46 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support upcoming resolution

I urge you to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

Support ALL efforts to prevent bringing F-35's to the Madison area.

Thank you,

John Jackson
5405 Dahlen Dr.
Madison, WI 53705

Veldran, Lisa

From: Terri Lynn Alexander <tlalexander23@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:48 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 resolution

Dear Alders,

Please vote tonight to keep the F-35s out of Madison. I am not anti-military. I have two nephews in the Air Force. However, to advocate for the little ones I care for on a daily basis is far more important. We already have too much noise and pollution. When the current F-16s fly over, the babies are frightened by the noise and the changes in air pressure from the speed. We do not need to disrupt their time outdoors even further. Thank you.

Terri Lynn Alexander
2025 E Johnson St, Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Joan A Bell-Kaul <joan.bellkaul@wisc.edu>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:51 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for Common Council's Resolution 77

Dear Alders:

I, along with the majority of other residents of Madison, WI, strongly oppose the housing of the F-35's at Truax field in Madison.

Our reasons are primarily environmental. With the COVID virus pandemic raging in our country-and now in our city-we cannot bear the extra load of environmental degradation posed by the housing of the F-35's at Truax Field.

1. The siting of these yet-largely-safety/unproven planes exposes us to crashes that would have a devastating environmental impact on most of the city.
2. The addition of these planes to Truax would only increase the presence of PFA's in our precious city water supply, which is already alarming.
3. The sound pollution would prove detrimental to the health of all residents of our north and east sides of town, including the many students in our public schools in the flight paths.
4. Additional pollution of our already compromised air quality would occur.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joan Bell-Kaul, Ph.D.
Instructor, UW-Madison

Veldran, Lisa

From: Charles Cohen <clcohen1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:56 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for petition opposing F-35s

As a citizen of Madison, I urge you to support the support the resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown." Basing the planes in Madison will have hugely adverse environmental, social, and medical consequences.

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Charles L. Cohen, E. Gordon Fox Professor of American Institutions, Emeritus
University of Wisconsin-Madison
<https://history.wisc.edu/people/cohen-charles-/>

Veldran, Lisa

From: William Olson <wolson45@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:57 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Resolution 3-31-2020

Dear Alders,

Please note my opposition to siting F-35 planes at Truax Field. I am very opposed to hosting planes that play any role in America's nuclear deterrence strategy.

Placing the F-35 in a densely populated county subjects my fellow citizens (certainly including rural conservatives and children of affluent suburban neighborhoods) to an unnecessary risk of annihilation, in case of a military confrontation with a foreign power.

The risk of harm to all of your friends and neighbors pales in comparison with the few jobs and dollars that the F-35 may bring to the region. No one who lives in Dane County would survive an attack on an F-35 base, regardless of their personal political beliefs today.

Please direct the Air Force away from our populace.

Why not put the F-35 out of harm's way, in the deserted western plains, where ICBMs are buried?

Why not be smart and take care of all of us, regardless of your personal economic theories and political beliefs? Are you assured your family will survive?

Thank you. Will Olson

Veldran, Lisa

From: byers <byers@rdeng.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 3:59 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

Importance: High

We need the 115th in Madison. Do not push away the opportunity to get the F-35 in Madison. This is a huge benefit to our economy. Why would you call a vote on a resolution during a time when Social distancing is so important right now.

Thank you,

Rodney Byers

From: David Minden <dwminden@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 4:00 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the resolution against the F-35

Hello

I want you to vote for the resolution stopping the F-35 coming to Truax. I have long felt that any weaponry has no place here. The F-35 in particular has a dismal record of cost overruns and poor performance. Clearly it also will add to the pollution and noise - and during Covid19 quarantine, isn't it lovely to realize what a quiet and clean place Madison is? Please keep F-35's out.

Dave Minden

4322 Upland Drive

Madison

Veldran, Lisa

From: PHILLIP J HELLMUTH <pjhellmu@wisc.edu>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 4:06 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: RE: F-35s

Alders - Register me as opposed. (Why not an upgraded Volk Field as a substitute?) - Phil Hellmuth, Sr., 914 Castle Place

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Michael Flanagan <mdflanagan44@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 4:15 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s: Please Support Resolution ""Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown""

I am contacting you to urge your support of the Common Council resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

The final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) did not sufficiently address the numerous concerns that have been raised regarding the draft EIS and the proposed basing of F-35s at Truax in Madison. Please note that I am not opposed to the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing, and the resolution is not an opposition to either. Rather, the concern is that basing the F-35s at Truax would be so contrary to the interests of our community.

I live very close to Truax, and fortunately have the resources to simply move if the F-35s are stationed here. It will negatively impact the value of my home, but I am lucky to have the resources to withstand that (and move). But very few are so lucky, and as a review of the EIS makes clear, basing the F-35s at Truax would be harmful and disproportionately affect people with low-incomes, minorities and children.

I urge you to support this resolution. Thank you.

**Michael Flanagan
18 Cherokee Circle, Unite 104
Madison, WI 53704
mdflanagan44@gmail.com**

From: Barbara STREIBEL <bstreibel1@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 4:19 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: resolution with implications for WI air national guard

Dear Alders,

My email and neighborhood listservs are filled with pleas to contact all of you regarding a resolution that, I'm lead to believe, shows disregard for WI national guard. Noticeably, the actual resolution is NEVER included, so I'm guessing it is about trying to stop the deployment of F35s to Truax field.

I am AGAINST deploying F35s to Truax because it will, ACCORDING TO THE AIR NATIONAL GUARD's own statements, make residing in or near their pathway for take-off and landing impossible. If the resolution is to oppose this deployment, please support it.

I admire WI national guardsmen and women, including the air national guard. As a US citizen, given the current and projected federal deficit, and likely economic impact of the COVID-19 virus, it seems completely unsupportable to be planning to spend many millions of dollars per plane to manufacture and routinely fly them at all, let alone to ask state, county, and local municipalities to pick up costs related to their deployment.

Thank you

Barbara Streibel

Madison resident

Veldran, Lisa

From: Barbara Sorensen <bbsorensen1953@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 4:21 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: no F 35's

Hello,

Please consider the resolution scheduled for a vote tomorrow:

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

Please consider at this time we are fighting for people's lives nationwide and our health care responders are not equipped to handle the crisis. We need to commit to funding getting our nation out of this disaster first. Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities. Now is the time to take a breath and put the Truax F35's issue on the back burner. Please.

Sincerely,

Barbara Sorensen, resident of Washburn, WI My mother was from Columbus WI and my relatives live near Madison.

Veldran, Lisa

From: terri@abundance-a.com
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 4:32 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Oppose F35s

To our Madison Alder people.

I hope you will support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the final environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A operational beddown. I am not opposed to the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing. I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and its harmful health and environmental effects to our community. I have lived near Truax field for 35 years and fear the noise impact of the F-35s. I work outside on my small flower farm on Mendota St. The noise from the current F16s is uncomfortably loud just after take off as they break the sound barrier. I think the F-35s should be located in a rural area where they will have less impact on people.

Respectfully,

Theresa L Holzem
1206 Mendota St Madison

From: Nancy Hulick <nathulick@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 4:36 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposed to F-35s Coming to Madison Wisconsin

Hi,

I'm writing to you as a resident of the east side of Madison. The F-16s are so loud that you have to stop talking and depending where you are you feel the vibrations in the building. Its already a problem that will be exponentially worse with the F-35s The F-35s present an even greater risk to our health, education of the children in this area and our environment. Look at the current problem with PFAs do you really want that to increase? I have to ask the question, those supporting are most likely not under the direct path of these jets are they? Probably not. Also, there is limited affordable housing so moving for many (I'm a senior) is not something we can readily afford. Many rent so the noise mitigation won't be available and that isn't really effective according to some businesses in the area that have already done it for the F-16s. These jets don't just fly one at a time, they fly in formation so there will be more than one at a time. If there is an accident, it will be catastrophic as this area is so densely populated. You would bare part of that responsibility. And, who is benefiting financially?? certainly not the residents on the east and north side. This will hurt business as well as the residents.

What happens when they start carrying a nuclear payload even you won't be exempt from the disaster waiting to happen in this densely populated area.

For this situation please put the citizens lives ahead of profit. We're already facing a devastating situation with the pandemic. Please don't approve the F-35s for Madison WI our community has enough to struggle through in the coming future without adding one situation that could be avoided. Please put human beings, the environment and all the wildlife in this area first.

Nancy Hulick
18 Summerview Ct #D
Madison, WI 53704



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Veldran, Lisa

From: Diane Michalski Turner <dmtturner643@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 4:58 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: No F-35s in Madison

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

Thank you. Be safe and well.

Diane Michalski Turner, PhD
303 S. Dickinson St. #1
Madison WI 53703
608.294.9048

Veldran, Lisa

From: Colleen Moran <colleenemoran@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 5:19 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please Support the Common Council's Resolution

I am a homeowner with a toddler in what will be an area effected by an F-35 beddown. I live at 2901 Milwaukee Street, Madison, WI, 53704. I'm writing to ask you to support the Common Council's resolution, "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown," for the following reasons:

- This resolution is not about opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from close to 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
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Thank you,
Colleen

Colleen Moran
She/Her/Hers
colleenemoran@gmail.com
608-217-1495

Veldran, Lisa

From: Susan Pastor <skpastor@uwalumni.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 5:28 PM
To: All Alders; Mayor
Subject: Vote Yes on Responding to the Final F-35A EIS Resolution

Dear City Leadership,

Deep gratitude to those you who have sponsored this resolution. It is the Air Force's own information that demonstrates the harm to our community, and particularly to those who are most vulnerable. Thank you for taking action to protect the health and well-being, especially of those who would be most directly harmed. In light of the already egregious and shameful racial disparities in Madison, the greater impact on residents of color, low income residents, and children, should be enough for us to say no.

Please, please, support this resolution now - not later. The Air Force can issue a decision any day now (30 days from the 2/28 release of the Final EIS). Please don't buy false assertion that the base will go away without these planes. A delay would be a hard slap in the face to the people who stand to be impacted. (And "mitigation" is largely a myth, as research into that possibly has well shown.)

The pandemic and current crisis should show us where our real priorities should lie.

Water - Where would we be without the ability to wash our hands? The level of contamination in Starkweather Creek should shock us. The amount of fire fighting foam required to put out a burning F-35A is as much as 10 times greater. And the military has done nothing to remediate the contamination on base. In fact, they plan to dig it up, spreading more contamination around, as they build to house F-35s. Because they have not complied with the DNR order to complete a full investigation, we don't even know the extent of the contamination of our watershed and lakes.

Preventing disaster - Co-designer of the F16, Pierre Sprey, visited in Madison in January, and described the likely scenario of an F-35, still in its new and more likely to crash phase, going down in a residential area. The toxicity of the burning stealth coating would require full hazmat gear and special training for firefighters, and evacuation for resident populations. How fast could we get people out? The toxic smoke and plumes cause respiratory injury and cancer. How would our first responders and hospitals be prepared to respond to this - and would it not be an extraordinary cost for people in our community to bear? People, including children, who are already vulnerable.

Investment in infrastructure for public health and sustainability - every one of these planes ordered in 2020 costs more than \$100 million each, based on publicly available Pentagon budget documents. EACH. We need \$100 million first strike nuclear warhead carrying planes? F-35s will help us not at all in the era of COVID-19 and they have the potential to compromise our well-being in additional, multiple ways. (It is a slight of hand that these planes won't have nuclear weapons. None of the planes have them now. They require a software upgrade for that, and they will all get it.) We will still have an ANG base, and maybe one day it would even have a medical mission. I felt grateful and proud, reading the story of the Guard escorting Portage residents who had been quarantined on a cruise ship off California back to their homes. What will the city and county have to spend to mitigate the impact on people and environment and plan for disaster? All of that will take away from spending on what we really need, and declining property values due to the planes will give us less revenue to do it with.

Local government should stand up for the people who live here. Decision-making should be based on the needs of people who will be most impacted. It's the Air Force's own EIS that shows this to be a bad deal for Madison. There might be some people who stand to benefit - and those are clearly different people than those who would bear the costs. I understand whose decision it is about which site to select. It's still important to go on record standing up for the people who live here, and our environment, and you do have influence.

Thank you for reading this!

Veldran, Lisa

From: Stephen Lyrene <salyrene@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 5:41 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

Please oppose the stationing of F-35s in Madison. The pollution both chemical and noise would be problematic. Too many citizens would be displaced from their housing.

Stephen Lyrene
835 Pebble Beach Drive
Madison Wisconsin 53717
Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: david@abundance-a.com
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 5:41 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: I oppose F-35s in Madison

To our Madison Alder people.

Please support the Common Council resolution "Responding to the final environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A operational bed down". I am not opposed to the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing. **I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison** because of the F-35 itself and its harmful health and environmental effects to our community. I have lived near Truax field for 25 years and fear the noise impact of the F-35s on the local schools and neighborhoods. When I working in the yard outside at our house on Mendota St . The noise from the current F16s is uncomfortably loud just after takeoff and is even noisy when I am inside the house. **The F-35s will be much louder.** They should be located in a rural area where they will have less impact on people.

Respectfully,
David Milbradt
1206 Mendota Street
Madison, WI

Veldran, Lisa

From: Mike Edwards <mike.edwards06@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 5:57 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s

As a city resident (2628 Arbor Drive, Madison) and as an employee of a company with offices in International Lane, I ask that you please support the Common Council resolution opposing the siting of F-35s at Truax.

- This resolution is not about opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- There are statements from close to 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.

Sincerely
Mike Edwards

Veldran, Lisa

From: Matthew Sanborn <matt23san@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 6:25 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support Common Council Resolution

Hello Alders of Madison,

I have been opposed to the F-35 program at Truax in Madison from the beginning. I know many of you feel this way too.

In short, the reasons are about negative, harmful effects to our community's health and environment, living conditions for vast multitudes of residents, and highly excessive costs for a highly imperfect war machine program.

That funding could be used for so many other positive, life-affirming purposes.

I read the letter by The Badger Air Community Council. They call this resolution "a slap in the face" to the Reserves. That is not true and a misunderstanding of all the issues I refer to above.

Please support the resolution to **oppose the basing of the F-35s at Truax in Madison!**

Thank You.

Matthew Sanborn District 15
3637 Sargent Street
Madison, WI 53714

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jeanne Trotter <geoj3203@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 6:28 PM
To: All Alders

We are completely and totally negative about the aircrafts!! We have enough noise with Truax field which is really annoying and a decibelle loss as well on top of all the traffic! This would be a much less desirable place to live! Again and I know you've heard from me several times that we believe it should be in a more rural area away from homes interstates and work that out the best you can this is not doing us a service it's a disservice Louisiana

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jeanne Trotter <geoj3203@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 6:31 PM
To: All Alders

Again, our names are George and Jeanne Trotter our address is 4602 Golf Drive, Windsor Wisconsin 53598 and we are in opposition to the flights

Veldran, Lisa

From: Sarah Polenska <sarah.polenska@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 6:30 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: No to the F-35s!

Some of you may have already heard from me, so I apologize if this is a repeat. I strongly oppose the F-35s coming to Madison. They are a waste of resources and they have the potential to greatly harm the residents of Madison and the environment here. Please vote to oppose the F-35 presence in Madison.

Thank you,

Sarah Polenska
2506 Dahle street
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Michael Minor <mikeminor@outlook.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 6:31 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support The Common Council's Resolution

Hi,

Just voicing my support of the Common Council's Resolution to not base the F-35's in the middle of the capital city due to harmful effects to community residents. Why not Fort McCoy?

Thank you,
Michael Minor

"Conformity is the jailer of freedom and the enemy of growth." -JFK

Veldran, Lisa

From: Nickolas Hein <nickolas.hein@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 6:31 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

Good evening,

I would like to ask you to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects it brings to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children. (These are detailed in the Air Force's environmental impact statement).

Thank you

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Nick Hein
3200 Oakridge Ave
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Katherine <scoop45@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 6:34 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support no F 35s resolu6

Now more than ever, it is clear where our federal money should be directed.

but I definitely in a normal world I would say it's that water pollution is the noise pollution plus incredible negative impact on people who live on the North side of Madison.

Kathy Esposito
137 Talmadge Street

From: Paige Burdick Blazei <paige.burdick.blazei@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 6:45 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please oppose the F-35s

Hello all,

I am writing to ask you to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

- This resolution is not about opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from close to 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.
- More information at safeskiescleanwaterwi.org

Thank you,
Paige

Veldran, Lisa

From: Liz Lusk <lizlusk51@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 7:05 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support resolution for f-35 final environmental impact statement

Please support the resolution against having the F-35s Beddown in Madison. The impact of the F-35s on our community would be environmentally harmful. It will disparately effect poor and minority communities making some not safe for habitation because of noise. The cost of the F-35s is unimaginable. Their cost would fund 80,000 ventilators. These planes are polluting, ear splitting in noise level, outrageously expensive, and well hopefully useless. We don't want their nuclear capabilities.

Actually, Madison does not benefit from having these planes here. We don't want them, don't need them and frankly feel they are a dangerous waste.

30,000 people nation-wide have signed petitions to end the F-35 program over concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, last of cost effectiveness and community disruption. Madison gets nothing but grief in return. We don't need more grief.

No F-35s.

Liz Lusk
452 Virginia Terrace
53726

Veldran, Lisa

From: Laura McNeill <lauramcneill.hasse@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 7:10 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Registering my opinion

Alders

I am in support of the resolution that opposes the F-35s basing in Madison WI, that you are discussing tomorrow night 3/31. Thank you for all you do to keep our city thriving, vibrant and growing in healthy ways!

Laura McNeill
2109 Rusk street
Madison WI 53704
Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: eugene white <eugenewoks@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 7:17 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for resolution on final environmental impact study.

Firstly, I am not opposed to 115th fighter wing being located in Madison only the F-35s. Bringing them here has extremely negative consequences for minorities and other low income folks. There has been widespread opposition to locating these planes here. The PFAS issue has never been satisfactorily dealt with. And lastly the cost is completely ridiculous. I hope you will choose to be in agreement with the arguments I have outlined.

Thank you for you time and consideration, Yours, Eugene White

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Christopher Babiarz <christopherbabiarz@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 7:40 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Item 77 — please vote Yes!

I support the resolution opposing the F-35s at Truax. Mainly because it disproportionately impacts the poor and communities of color.

Thank you,

Christopher Babiarz
153 Division St, Madison, WI 53704
608-658-8752

Veldran, Lisa

From: Colleen O'Hara <ohara1945@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 7:51 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35's at Truax

Dear Alders,

Please support the resolution against basing the F-35 fighter jets at a Truax Field.

The resolution *does not oppose the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing*. I personally support the ANG and the 115th Fighter Wing.

The resolution *does oppose basing the F-35's at Truax in Madison*. I am personally opposed to the F-35 itself, and the harmful health and environmental impact the F-35's will have on our community which will disproportionately affect people with low incomes, minorities and children.

Thank you,
Colleen OHara
1945 E Dayton St, Madison, WI 53704

From: Lisa Le Mieux Fisher <lisamarielemieux@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 7:51 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: support the common council resolution about F-35s

Alders,
Please, please, do whatever you can to keep F-35s out of Madison. I already experience disruptions to my home life from the F-16s (so loud as to stop conversations because we can't hear each other talk and sometimes shake windows). The F-35s would make my home unlivable. I work from home and have young children. Please put families first.

We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.

- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive when we need the funding for domestic needs. (18 F-35s cost about the same as 80,000 ventilators)
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thank you for serving our community, and putting our best interests at heart.

-Lisa Fisher

Veldran, Lisa

From: Sato Family <satossky@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 8:09 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax

Hello Madison Alders,

I am writing on behalf of my family to ask you to **support the Common Council's resolution** "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing. We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.

We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.

The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. **The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.**

Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thank you,

Serena Sato
556 Troy Drive
Madison WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Kathleen Cairns <krcairns@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 8:11 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Common Council Resolution - No F-35s

In times before the "safer at home" directive, I was out there demonstrating against placement of the F-35s at Truax field. I cannot do that now, but I want to urge you to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

Thank you,
Kathleen Cairns
107 Sutherland Ct. #223
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jon Beers <beers.jonathan55@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 8:16 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the resolution banning F-35s

Please support the resolution to oppose the beddown of F-35s at Truax Field.

I'm not opposed to the 115th Fighter Wing, but I do believe that basing F-35s at an airbase so close to densely populated neighborhoods is a big mistake.

The reasons to oppose the F-35 at Truax are spelled out in the resolution, so I won't repeat them here. The Air Force's own EIS also spells out why F35s at Truax are a bad idea.

Please vote for the resolution opposing F-35s at Truax.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Beers
534 Maywood St, Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Lael Sheber <lsheber@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 8:26 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Oppose F-35's at Truax!

Dear Alders,

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Please please say no to this and support your community. Think of the children. So they need any more trauma in their lives?!

Thank you,
Lael Sheber

Veldran, Lisa

From: Laura Good <lwardgood@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 8:27 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support resolution on F-35s

Dear alders,

Please support the resolution entitled "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown". I appreciate that the members of 115th Fighter Wing have long been our neighbors at Truax, however, I think it will be harmful to the city if the F-35 planes are based here. Those noisy planes are not compatible with urban environments and the EIS clearly outlines those who will be disadvantaged by the F-35s. It is not fair that people living in one of the few areas with affordable housing in the city bear the brunt of the F-35s poor design. I understand that there are also increased public safety issues with the F-35s compared to the F-16 due to the toxic fumes that will be released if it catches fire.

Sincerely,

Laura Good
2325 Willard Ave
Madison 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Buzz Davis <dbuzzdavis@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 8:37 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: dbuzzdavis@aol.com
Subject: Please support resolution on the siting of F-35's elsewhere than Madison

To: Madison City Council Alders

Fr: Buzz Davis, formerly of Stoughton and now of 813 S. Deer Meadow Loop, Tucson 85745

Subject: Please consider voting yes for agenda item 77 the F-35 Resolution #60043

Dear Alders:

As a former Stoughton Alders and Co. Board member I thank each of you for your service! Your time and study of the issues away from family, jobs and hobbies in service to our communities is what makes America tick!

My wife and I live in the flight path of the A-10 and F-16 fighter jets stationed at Davis-Monthan AF Base here in Tucson. We live a number of miles west of the air base but the fighters fly directly over our home to the bombing practice base far to the west of us.

The noise is too much to take.

1. When one plane takes off or lands, if a person is outside or inside his home, conversation usually comes to a stop. Many of these planes drown out the conversation.
2. It is never known if only one or two, or four or six are going to be taking off or landing.
3. The pilots space themselves out to try to reduce the noise but each plane is noisy and under some conditions the planes are very noisy.

When landing many of the F16 make much noise flying overhead and then when you think the sound is going to die out because they are disappearing, there is a loud rolling boom.

4. No matter how the pilots take off or land there is great noise and the wave of the booms can be felt on the body if you are outside.

5. These planes fly early in the morning, during the day and during the evening up to 8PM or so. They fly seven days a week.

6. As a former Army officer trained as an infantry officer I certainly greatly appreciate the support of fighter aircraft when they are on my side.

But these planes (A-10s and F-16 fighters) make too much noise for little kids at homes, on playgrounds and in schools.

We should not be doing this to our kids.

Thank you for considering voting YES Tuesday night to help all cities and all citizens!

Peace!

Buzz Davis, Veterans for Peace Chapter 13 Tucson, AZ, 608-239-5354

Veldran, Lisa

From: Diane Farsetta <farsettad@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 8:49 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support F-35 EIS resolution

Dear Alders,

Thank you for your public service at a time of crisis.

I'm writing from my home, just outside the 65 DNL (day night average decibel level) contour line in the Air National Guard's environmental impact statement (EIS). I ask you to please support the resolution in response to the final EIS for the Air National Guard F35A Operational Beddown.

I'm concerned for my neighbors who live within the 65 and 70 DNL lines, who send their children to school or day care there, or who visit parks or playgrounds within those lines. As the final EIS affirms, there would be "significant disproportionate impacts to low-income and minority populations as well as children."

Opposition to the F35s in our area is so strong and widespread that our neighborhood association unanimously supported writing to local elected officials and submitting a comment to the Air National Guard against locating the F35s here. It may be the Emerson East Neighborhood Association's first official stance on a non-development issue; it certainly is since at least 2007, when I moved here.

I do not oppose the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing. I oppose the negative health, economic, environmental and social impacts of bringing the F35 jets to Madison.

Thank you and be well,
Diane Farsetta
213 N Fifth St, Madison

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~ born when CO2 was 327ppm

Veldran, Lisa

From: Michael Reuter <michael@mwsolarpower.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 8:53 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 bed down

Hello,

Emailing as a resident of the heavily affected area of new F-35 operations as well as a business owner/partner in that area as well.

Home address: 503 Powers Ave. Madison WI 53714

Business address: 816 Walsh Rd, Madison WI.

Please consider supporting the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.

- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive when we need the funding for domestic needs. (18 F-35s cost about the same as 80,000 ventilators)
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Sincerely,

Michael Reuter - Midwest Solar Power

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Michael Reuter

Midwest Solar Power

608-632-9311

Michael@mwsolarpower.com

Veldran, Lisa

From: Lynne Bethke <lmbethke63@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 8:59 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please oppose the F-35s

Dear Alders,

I am writing to ask you to please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown". Especially at this time when our community and nation are dealing with the incredible impact of COVID-19, we should be thinking about how to strengthen public health systems and infrastructure and other social services. The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators. Something we could desperately use right now. I am also opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the potentially harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Lynne Bethke
3918 Fern Ct
Madison, WI 53711

Veldran, Lisa

From: Mary Cole <marycole4@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:04 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Oppose F-35s at Truax/Support the resolution

Due to harmful health and environmental effects to our community, I encourage all alders to support the resolution and oppose basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Mary Cole

5102 Milward Dr,

Madison, WI 53711

Veldran, Lisa

From: Susan Detering <susandetering@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:05 PM
To: All Alders

Dear Common Council:
I urge you to

support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

I live and work in Madison, I raise my children here, I own businesses, I am invested in this city and I DO NOT WANT it to suffer the blight of the F-35s.

I grew up on a Military Base, Camp LeJeune, I am the daughter of a fighter pilot. I have no issues with jets on Military Bases, where the Military is responsible for their impacts... but NOT HERE.

Respectfully,
Susan Detering

Susan Detering
230 Dunning St., Madison WI 53704
(928) 637-5220 cell

From: Shahla Werner <shahlawerner@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:12 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please Support Resolution Opposing F-35s

Dear Mr. Foster and other Madison City Council Members:

I'm writing to urge you to support the resolution opposing the basing of F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the severe impact on north and east side residents. This type of development should absolutely not be sited in such a populated area, displacing 1,000 families and degrading the quality of life and property values of thousands of others. I am also very concerned about the need to store and potentially use dangerous, water-polluting PFAs to put out fires in the event of an emergency with these fighter jets. Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAs) have already polluted Starkweather Creek and at least two Madison municipal wells, and these "forever" chemicals, which bioaccumulate in fish and other organisms, are linked to an array of health conditions, from kidney cancer to elevated cholesterol to ulcerative colitis and more. This is our last chance to make a statement on this issue, and I urge you to vote to support the peace and safety of the people in our community. The full text is below. Thank you for your consideration on this.

Sincerely,
Shahla M. Werner
126 Buckingham Ln, Madison, WI 53714

Resolution:

WHEREAS, on September 17, 2019 the Madison Common Council adopted RES-19-00588, "Responding to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"; and,

WHEREAS, in that resolution, the Madison Common Council requested that "the Air National Guard (ANG) reconsiders the selection of Truax Field as a preferred location until and unless the findings of the EIS are shown to misrepresent the significant environmental impacts to those living, working, and visiting the north and east sides of Madison"; and,

WHEREAS, the Final EIS released on February 18, 2020, confirms the significant environmental impacts identified in the Draft EIS, including substantially reduced quality and quantity of current affordable housing stock, decreased value of the property tax base, reduced opportunities for Transit-Oriented Development, ongoing soil, ground and surface water PFAS contamination violations by the ANG, significant adverse health effects that disproportionately affect children, residents who are low income and people of color; and,

WHEREAS, these impacts are contrary to the City of Madison's values of equity, sustainability, health and adaptability as codified in our Comprehensive Plan adopted in 2018, the City's Racial Equity and Social Justice Initiative, and undermine multiple long-term goals of City policy makers,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that based on the significant adverse impacts identified in the Final EIS to multiple neighborhoods in and around the north and east sides of

Veldran, Lisa

From: Perri Liebl <ppliebl@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:16 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Agenda #77

I am urging you to support the resolution opposing f35s at Truax. The health and environmental costs are unacceptable and they disproportionately affect low income children. The money spent on this boondoggle could be better spent saving people from the Covid-19 pandemic.

Thank you,

Perri Liebl
2318 Hollister Ave.
Madison, WI. 53726

Sent from my iPad

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jordan Cohen <jordan1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:21 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s

As a member of the Eken Park neighborhood community, I vehemently oppose basing the F-35s at Truax. I read the government report and the environment impact, noise pollution, and impact on community health (as well as the cost, which should really be focused on other areas in this time of health & economic crisis) makes it untenable, and our elected officials need to know this.

Thank you,

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Jordan Cohen

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jeffrey Schimpff <schimjg@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:23 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support Council Resolution re: F-35 Final EIS Response

I am a Madison resident and I am asking you to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

- I do not oppose the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- I am instead opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- There are almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Sincerely,

Jeff Schimpff
Madison, WI

Veldran, Lisa

From: Pat Calchina <patforpeace70@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:30 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

Please support the Common Council's resolution "responding to the final environmental impact statement for the air national guard F-35A Operational Beddown.

My opposition is primarily because of the harmful effects to our community and concerns about environmental damage.

Thank you,
Pat Calchina

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Kacy Zander <mysticwelding@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:44 PM
To: All Alders

Support the commons council resolution. Karma is REAL be kind to mother earth and her people.

Kacy Zander

From: Susan Shepanek <susan.shepanek@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:47 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Susan Shepanek 3.31.20 Common Council vote F53A resolution

Greetings, all Madison City Alders:

I understand that you will be voting on the most recent proposal about the Air Force's final environment impact statement. I go on record, again, as stating that:

1. I remain strongly opposed to the jets being placed in Madison, or in any area where people live.
2. I do not believe that I am being unpatriotic, nor insensitive to our local National Guard, nor prejudiced against our the United States Air Force.
3. Are we as a people really willing to allow such unfolding, and clear suffering?
4. Why is the onus of responsibility to adapt put on innocent homeowners, schools, daycares, apartment buildings, Access Community Health, my clinic, on East Washington Ave., other buildings, etc, and why can't the Air Force themselves ask the very same question?

I urge you to do the right thing by humanity.

Thank you,
Susan Shepanek
1459 East Main St. #212
Madison, WI 53703

Near east side resident of Madison since 1978.

From: Deb Cerra <dcerra05@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:50 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: in opposition - F-35s

- This resolution is not about opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are **opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison** because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from close to 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. We need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

thank you

From: Kristin Keough <krkeough@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:53 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the Resolution

To whom it may concern,

From the bottom of my heart, please consider supporting the resolution. Not just for me, but for our and YOUR friends, neighbors, and people you interact with on a daily basis that you may not even know. This effects us in a very real and personal way. It affects the property value of the home that my husband and I just bought last year. We used the VA home loan and we were looking for a place we could develop and grow old together in. Our neighbors, Republican and Democrat who have lived in their homes for 40+ years who just want to peacefully enjoy their retirement years. Our neighborhood is very diverse, yet we agree that we don't want the F-35's forced upon our way of life! We don't want it for ourselves, or for our children and grandchildren or our community. The negative impacts are too great. You know what they are and so do we.

Please respect your veterans, and your citizens. You know these jets don't belong in rural Madison and so do we.

Please search your conscience and think of the legacy you'll leave.

Let us keep our faith in our elected officials and the belief that you will do what right for your community. We need you now.

Thank you,

Kristin Keough

Veldran, Lisa

From: Zach Kmiec <zach.kmiec@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:55 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the resolution on F-35s

Dear Alders,

I'm writing as one more voice in a choir of hundreds of Madison residents deeply concerned and unnerved by the possibility of a squadron of F-35s bedding down at Truax airport, and frankly quite afraid that this will come to pass.

Let us not be the small midwestern city who puts on a face of civility and dialog but welcomes nuclear-capable fighter planes into our midst--and in a time where nuclear war is so close to being on the table at that. Let us not be the home of progressivism that decides to throw away the futures of scores of its citizens and their children who by no fault of their own live in the flight path of these deafening war machines.

The numbers are in, the scientists and analysts and modelers have spoken. So too have leagues of eastsiders, northsiders, and Madisonians from all corners. Please, alders, we need you to speak just as loudly. Support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

Thank you for your time and your service.

Zach Kmiec
520 Troy Dr
Madison, WI 53704-1575

From: Ken Swift <kswift@uwalumni.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 9:59 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: Ken Swift
Subject: F-35s

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

The points the resolution makes are clear and reasonable:

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

The government and its military should not be forcing entire communities into living conditions that they themselves would not tolerate. Consider it. How would you answer?

Sincerely,

Ken Swift
1238 Rutledge St.
Madison 53703

From: Chad Pranke <prankechad@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:01 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please Support the Common Council's Resolution on F-35s

From Pranke household at 4421 Bellgrove Ln, Madison, WI 53704:

- This resolution is not about opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from close to 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

From: Nancy Thayer-Hart <nthayerhart@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:03 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support resolution: "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

The F-35A program is dangerously flawed and economically unsustainable, and does not belong in Madison. The Air National Guard and the 115th Fighter Wing, comprised of our friends, neighbors, and family members, deserve a mission that enables them to contribute to, not destroy and divide, their community as will be the result of basing the F-35A at Truax Field.

Most who support the beddown are doing so because they have received misleading and sometimes false information from people in powerful positions who have a vested interest in promoting the F-35 program. Some support it out of self-interest, assuming they will benefit financially, and they prioritize that over the common good of thousands of their neighbors who will suffer severe negative impacts. The Air Force has stated that any economic benefit accruing to Madison from the F-35 program will be negligible. At the same time, the Air Force has neglected to account for the enormous costs that Madison and the surrounding communities will incur should the beddown become a reality.

Please vote YES on the resolution presented as Agenda Item 77. Let's not allow large numbers of our most vulnerable citizens to be turned out of their homes and the Madison we know and love to be destroyed by the excessive noise and air and water pollution associated with the F-35A.

Thank you for your dedicated and thoughtful service!

Nancy Thayer-Hart
11 Harbort Drive
Madison, WI 53704

From: Sue Ellen Dubbert <sedubbert@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:05 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the Common Council's resolution

Dear City of Madison Alders,

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Please stand up for the people of Madison who most need protection from this serious disruption to their health and well-being.

Sincerely,

Sue Ellen Dubbert
Madison, WI resident

Veldran, Lisa

From: Julie Majerus <julie.s.majerus@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:15 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: In Support of Resolution opposing the F-35s, in response to the Final Environmental Impact Statement.

Hello,

Please vote in favor of the Resolution Opposing the F-35s being based at Truax in Madison:

The EIS describes the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.

The cost of the F-35s is excessive when we need the funding for domestic needs. (For example, 18 F-35s cost about the same as 80,000 ventilators)

Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Reports from the World Health Organization and other studies have shown that this type of noise and vibration pollution is bad for the health of all humans, and affects the health and development of children. Please for the betterment of our city and community vote in favor of this resolution of opposition.

Thank you for your service and for your attention to this important matter.
Julie Majerus

Veldran, Lisa

From: Rossitza Ivanova <rossiivanova@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:15 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please Support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

Dear Madison Alders,

Thank you for caring for our community and for serving to ensure that Madison neighborhoods continue to thrive as they strive for both prosperity and equity for all. In acknowledgement of the important role that you play in supporting the cohesiveness, health and well-being of all our communities, I am writing to ask you - passionately, wholeheartedly, insistently - to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to EIS for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

I am opposed to the basing of the F-35s at Truax in Madison because the operation of these new fighting jets is going to increase significantly the harmful effects of the current military flights situation, particularly for children and minorities, and for neighbors with lower incomes. In your September resolution last year, you asked for more information on the F-35's basing and its effect on the community. The final IES makes it clear that there will be a significant increase in noise levels as well as disproportionate negative effects on already the most vulnerable among our neighbors. These are your neighbors, too, and I trust that you don't want to abandon and fail them in their right to live in as normal and healthy environment as possible. Those neighbors and communities are already underprivileged and at risk! A "significant" and "disproportionate" increase of fighter-jet noise and other pollutants in their lives will be unfair and it has the potential to ultimately disrupt the fabric and the balance of our city.

This is not an argument against either the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing. I recognize and I am grateful that they have participated in and supported community operations. However, mine is a strong argument against the significant and disproportionate disruption that the proposed F35-s will bring.

I call on you - passionately, wholeheartedly, insistently - to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to EIS for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown" and to recognize that Truax, Madison - amidst densely populated residential neighborhoods - is not the right place for the basing of the F-35s.

Respectfully,

Rossitza Ivanova, Ph.D.
114 N. Marquette Str.
Madison, WI 53704

From: Meg Hamel <meghamel@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:18 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

Greetings —

Please support the resolution titled "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown," opposing the selection of Truax Field for F-35A jets.

I am a life-long, fourth-generation Madison resident. I have lived in Districts 4, 5, 11, 19, and District 6 has been my home for 17 years.

My dad flew in the Wisconsin Air National Guard in the 1960s.

My family, including my 8-year-old daughter, strongly opposes the idea of bringing these aircraft to Madison. I agree with the Common Council's assessment that these aircraft and the required operational support are dangerous for Madison.

It would be too much of a catastrophe to undo, if the F-35A planes were allowed to beddown at Truax. The economic claims are not worth the risk to our wonderful city. Surely we can find better ways to develop our city's economy that doesn't inflict so much harm on so many people, both our very own neighbors — the people you serve — and innocents abroad.

Please support this resolution so we can bring this dreadful proposal of the U.S. Air Force to an end.

With gratitude,

Meg Hamel
118 Ohio Ave.
53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Michael Farin <mfarin707@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 10:22 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 resolution

Our healthcare workers are facing a real threat, but we have only Glad bags for them.

Purely by coincidence, in Washington they plan to spend \$2 billion to send us aircraft that ex-Navy pilot John McCain described as a scandal and a tragedy.

Is it finally time to say "Enough"?

Mike Farin
2922 Oakridge Ave
1 block from the north-south flight path
3/8 mile from the mouth of Starkweather Sewer

Veldran, Lisa

From: Wendy Woodard <woodardwendy4@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 5:24 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: No F-35s

Please support the resolution to ban F-35s from Truax Field and from Madison WI. Thank you.

Wendy Woodard
3613 Harper Rd.
Madison WI. 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Martha Williams <Bmpgl5@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 6:51 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Against the F-35s

Dear Alders,

I am a lifetime resident of Eastside Madison (53704). Our airport community is made up of hard working low/middle class citizens, with young children, schools and daycares. The noise that we would be subjected to is unfair and unjust.

My husband and I want to retire in the home we raised our family in. The value of our house will plummet, and our quiet retired life in the cul-de-sac will end if the F-35s fly from our airport.

Please put people before money.
Please listen to the citizens of this community.
Please vote against the jets.

Thank you!!

Martha and Bob Williams
10 Wilton Ct.
53704

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Liz Bernhardt <lizpat00@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 7:03 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s

Hello,

Please vote in favor of the Resolution Opposing the F-35s being based at Truax in Madison:

The EIS describes the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.

The cost of the F-35s is excessive when we need the funding for domestic needs. (For example, 18 F-35s cost about the same as 80,000 ventilators)

Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Reports from the World Health Organization and other studies have shown that this type of noise and vibration pollution is bad for the health of all humans, and affects the health and development of children. Please for the betterment of our city and community vote in favor of this resolution of opposition.

Thank you for your service and for your attention to this important matter.

Be Well,
Elizabeth Bernhardt
Tenney-Lapham resident

Veldran, Lisa

From: Sunshine Jones <sunshinedjones@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 7:06 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Agenda item 77

Sunshine Jones and Joann Kelley

4333 Crawford Drive

Madison, Wisconsin

53711

sunshinedjones@gmail.com

To our Alders:

We are writing to ask you to support the Common Council's resolution, "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35 Operational Beddown.

Now more than ever, we need to say No to defective and excessively costly death machines, F35s, and Yes to that which supports life, ventilators, healthcare for those without, food for the children with food insecurity now at home, solar and wind initiatives.

At a time when crisis of climate change and a global pandemic are converging, it would be irresponsible after reading the final EIS verifying the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low incomes, people of color, and children to increase the negative impacts on vital members of our community already burdened by these times.

We need Green jobs, not polluting jobs. We need to move forward toward a sustainable equitable world.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sunshine Jones

Joann Kelley

Veldran, Lisa

From: Susan Kaye <kaye.susan@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 7:14 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the resolution to oppose F-35's

Dear common council members,

I am strongly opposed to the F-35's being based at Truax **because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, people of color and children.**

Please support the resolution tonight.

Thank you.

**Susan Kaye
School Social Worker**

2323 Upham St
Madison Wi

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Be kinder than necessary, everyone you meet is fighting some kind of battle.

-Plato

Veldran, Lisa

From: KatieRogge <katierogge@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 7:50 AM
To: All Alders

I am writing to urge you to SUPPORT the common Council resolution "Responding to the Final EIS for the Air National Guard F35A Operational Beddown".

Veldran, Lisa

From: Maria Powell (MEJO) <mariapowell@mejo.us>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 7:54 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: 'jimpowell@mejo.us'; Ida J; Touyeng Xiong
Subject: Please support CC resolution on F-35 Final EIS

Hello alders:

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

Since January 2018, I have written about the social, health, and environmental justice impacts of basing F-35s at Madison's Truax Field, and outlined questions about their significant health and environmental effects that have not been addressed in the Environmental Impact Statements. I posted links to most of these below my name.

In September 2019, I went door-to-door for three days in the Truax apartments and Oak Terrace trailer park to talk to people about the F-35s. **Out of the approximately 100 people I talked with-- all low income people, the majority people of color--85 said they oppose the F35s and signed in support of the common council resolution opposing them (under consideration then)**

People in these neighborhoods know how loud the F-16s are there now and how this affects their lives. They do not want louder and more dangerous planes operating near their homes and traumatizing their families. One Truax resident I talked to then, who couldn't attend the council meeting, wanted to tell you all how these planes affect her: <https://mejo.us/truax-apartment-residents-on-f-35s/>.

If you truly care about reducing the significant social, economic, environmental and health disparities in our community--in line with Madison's racial equity and social justice policies--you will strongly support the Final EIS resolution before you tonight.

Thank you,

Maria Powell

- Jan. 15, 2018: **F-35 Fighter jets in Madison; What would Martin Luther King Jr. say?**
- Feb. 28, 2018: **MEJO comments for city alder listening session on F-35s**
- April 6, 2018: **MEJO comments on Draft EIS (scoping session)**
- Jan. 21, 2019: **Are we spiritually dead? What would Martin Luther King Jr. say?**
- Nov. 1, 2019: **MEJO comments on Draft F-35 EIS**
- March 4, 2020: **MEJO Executive Director on F-35s and Truax Field**
- Feb. 23, 2020: **The Final F-35 EIS is a total sham**
- March 11, 2020: **Superfund will not protect our waterways--or us--from the military's toxic pollution**

Maria Powell, PhD
Executive Director, Midwest Environmental Justice Organization
1311 Lake View Ave.
Madison, WI 53704
608-240-1485, mariapowell@mejo.us, mejo.us

Veldran, Lisa

From: Bob Koch <bobbyarkoffs@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 8:21 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the resolution against siting F-35s at Truax

Hi all,

Hope you are hanging in there during our crazy current life. Thanks for all the work you are doing to keep things moving forward as well as possible, and keeping an eye on public safety.

On that note - please support the resolution being voted on with regard to siting F-35s at Truax. The planes have no business near a large residential population. Or near areas that are delicate environmentally and important to the ecosystem of the area in general (like Cherokee Marsh, Starkweather Creek and the Yahara. And looking at it from the federal perspective, the program has also been a money pit to create more war machines, during decades that money could be much better spent in other ways.

I know the decision is ultimately out of our hands but I think standing up and saying clearly we don't want the F-35s is still important.

Thanks,
Bob Koch,
4216 Kenwood St.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Janet Parker <janetparker8@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 8:28 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please oppose F-35s tonight

Hello Alder Abbas and all you amazing alders and thank you for your work in this scary time ---

Please sign on to the resolution today opposing basing F-35s here. I am so grateful to you all, and to the Mayor and to all city staff and essential workers.

Much gratitude,
J

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Janet Parker
608-228-9096
janetparker8@gmail.com

Los seres humanos no nacen para siempre el día en que sus madres los alumbran, sino que la vida los obliga otra vez y muchas veces a parirse a sí mismos.

Human beings are not born once and for all on the day their mothers give birth to them, but life obliges them over and over again to give birth to themselves.

- Gabriel Garcia Marquez

Veldran, Lisa

From: Dayna Long <delizabeth.long@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 8:51 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support Resolution in Response to Final Environmental Impact State on Beddown of F-35s

Dear Alders,

I'm writing to ask you to support the resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown" at tonight's common council meeting.

I'm opposed to bringing the F-35s to Madison for a number of reasons, but ultimately one of the biggest factors, for me, is the unresolved PFAS contamination and the possibility of F-35s making it worse, which I wrote about for Tone Madison [here](#).

In a way, the COVID-19 crisis echoes the PFAS crisis. A total failure of federal agencies to regulate most PFAS chemicals means that it's been left to state government and municipalities to muddle through on their own. Madison Common Council is in a double bind in this regard because it is unlikely that the Republican-controlled state legislature will take action to protect people in Wisconsin from PFAS. We can't wait for their leadership. We need your strong, creative local leadership now and in the future when it comes to Truax specifically.

People are being exposed to PFAS every day in our community and it is not at all clear that exposure is safe at any level. Who will take care of people if they become sick or if their children do? Who will be held accountable? We know the answer - no one. So our best bet is to head it off. Please fight to prevent contamination from getting worse at Truax by supporting this resolution tonight.

Sincerely,

Dayna Long
Regent Neighborhood

Veldran, Lisa

From: Laura Zimmerman <laura.m.zimmerman@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 9:05 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown

I am writing to request your support for the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

I do not oppose the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing - I oppose the basing of F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the harm they will do to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children. "Majority rules" is not enough; of course most Madison residents will be outside of the worst-impacted area - but it is our duty as a community to look to our neighbors' safety even when our own may not be affected, and to make difficult choices in order to protect the well-being of others.

The F-35 project would be costly, unhealthy, and fails to support appropriate remediation for children and families who will be most affected by noise and groundwater pollution and who may be harmed or need to relocate as a result.

Laura Zimmerman
9 N. 3rd St.
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Sita Diehl <sitamdiehl@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 9:11 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Vote YES on Resolution opposing the F-35 Operation Beddown at Truax

Dear Members of the Common Council,

I urge you to support the Resolution (Agenda Item 77) 'Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown'. I oppose basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community. I am even more concerned about the fact that the burden will fall disproportionately on families with low-incomes who live and learn under the flight path. Many citizens oppose stationing F35s at Truax and nearly 50 local and state organizations.

The more I learn about the F35, the more I am convinced that it is a massive waste of tax-payer dollars. I come from a flying family, and the pilots and engineers among them say the F35 is a badly designed, over-priced aircraft. It is astoundingly expensive to build, requires high maintenance at great ongoing cost, and is of limited usefulness. Why are we putting up with this? We need the funds allocated to the National Guard to defend against real and immediate threats such as the pandemic and the increasing incidence of catastrophic weather events.

Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities. Please do everything in your power to keep this potentially hazardous equipment out of Madison.

Thank you for your service to our thriving community.

Sincerely,
Sita Diehl
5729 Elder Place
Madison, WI 53705
608-233-4357

Veldran, Lisa

From: Margaret McEntire <memcentire@uwalumni.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 9:15 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: Margaret McEntire
Subject: Please oppose basing F-35s at Truax

Greetings, and thank you for your public service to all of us Madisonians.

I write to ask your support at tonight's (March 31) meeting for the Council's very own resolution titled "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

I live less than four miles from Truax field and value the Air National Guard establishment as a good neighbor here on the northside. However, I oppose the operation of F-35s in a densely populated area, especially one peopled by so many low-income residents who are, to boot, people of color.

Think about it: the optics, as they say, are horrible. Does the government need to continue its bad, old habit of siting an environmentally harmful operation in a neighborhood inhabited by so many politically and socioeconomically vulnerable residents?

Thank you for considering my opinion.

Margaret McEntire
570 Troy Drive
Madison, Wisconsin 53704
memcentire@uwalumni.com

Veldran, Lisa

From: Kate Diamond <kate.diamond@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 9:20 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing as a resident of the Eken Park neighborhood to encourage alders to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

As a neighborhood resident, I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to my community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children. At a time when cities, counties, and states should be devoting resources to fighting the COVID-19 pandemic, the cost of the F-35s is excessive and inhumane; we can literally be redirecting funds intended for these war machines to saving lives. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators. I'm not alone in my opposition to the F-35s: over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thank you,
Kate Diamond

Veldran, Lisa

From: Emily Krause <ekrause@uwalumni.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 9:23 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support resolution to oppose F-35 placement in Madison

As a resident of Madison at 1933 Pond Street very near Truax Field, I urge you to oppose F-35 placement in Madison and to support resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown" and 2019 RES-548 opposing placement of F-35's at Truax field in Madison. Please don't allow our safety, health, and wellbeing to be compromised by this dangerous and costly endeavor.

I am not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing. I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.

From detrimental effects of noise on small developing children to pollution, chemicals, and fire hazards, from decreased property values to nuclear weapon capabilities and exorbitant spending, we could not be more opposed to bringing in this hazardous, unsafe reckless program to our community! For the safety and well-being of this amazing community, PLEASE we urge you to support this resolution and oppose placement of F-35's at Truax Field!

Thank you for protecting your constituents, Emily Krause Resident of 1933 Pond Street, Madison, 53704

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Laura Gottlieb <lglauragottlieb@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 9:51 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the Common Council's resolution against the F-35s

I am writing to urge you to **support** the Common Council's resolution opposing the operational beddown of the Air National Guard's F-35's at Truax.

I am opposed to locating the F-35s in the Madison area, not because I oppose the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing, but because of the nuclear, environmental, safety, noise, health, and property tax risks associated with their arrival.

These dangers far outweigh whatever funding and jobs these F-35s might bring to Madison.

Because of these risks, these planes should clearly be bedded down in some low population or desert area, far from a thriving population center like Madison.

All of the risks associated with the F-35s are unacceptable to me, but—as a west-sider—I am particularly concerned about the fact that they are nuclear-capable, and would make Madison a target of nuclear attack.

During this pandemic, there are clearly MUCH better uses of our federal money than putting it into war planes. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.

Please support the Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

Sincerely,

Laura Gottlieb

212 Highland Avenue

Madison, Wisconsin 53705

Veldran, Lisa

From: Holly Fortier <hwfortier@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 9:51 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support Resolution 77!

Please act in the interest of people, not industry.

I am not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.

· I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.

· There are statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.

· The cost of the F-35s is excessive when we need the funding for domestic needs. (18 F-35s cost about the same as 80,000 ventilators)

· Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of this crucial matter.

Holly Fortier
406 Ring st.
Madison

Veldran, Lisa

From: ANNA BAKKEN <lefsegundy@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 9:55 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposed and speaking

Anna

Veldran, Lisa

From: Tom Running <tomrunn@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 9:56 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: vote yes on opposition to F35 siting

I urge the council to vote yes on the opposition resolution to the siting of F35s at Truax.

I have lived near the airport for over 30 years, and I don't mind the plane noise in general. However the F35 siting will dramatically increase the level of noise, to the point that there will be significant negative impacts on many levels. These include schools including MATC, and day care centers. Also a large number of residences will be so badly affected that they will be considered "not suitable for habitation." That will lead to a dramatic loss of property values and tax base in a large swath of the city. Lastly there are a large number of businesses in the affected area that will be seriously affected when personal and telephone work cannot be done. By my rough estimate, at least 30 businesses would have a severe negative impact by the F35s.

Please vote yes on the resolution in opposition to the F35 siting.

Tom Running
2634 E. Johnson St
Madison WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Deb Vandenbroucke <dbvdb_2000@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 9:56 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Beddown

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown" for all of the reasons that have been discussed for the last month - environmental justice, PFAs, noise and these jets do not belong in an urban environment and the number of jobs created does not justify these negatives.

Madison citizen on the flight path,

Deb Vandenbroucke
2737 Milwaukee St
Madison
dbvdb_2000@yahoo.com

Veldran, Lisa

From: Nathan Larson <nklarson@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 9:56 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown

Dear Alders,

I am writing to ask you to please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown." Please note the following:

- This resolution is not about opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from close to 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thank you for your consideration of this important community issue.

Best,

Nathan Larson
Madison, WI

Veldran, Lisa

From: Janna Hack <jannahack@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 9:58 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support Common Council resolution-F-35s

Please support the Common Council's Resolution, "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

I have already submitted multiple statements as to the obvious environmental, housing and equity negative impacts that would occur should a F-35 Beddown happen in Madison. If this needs to occur, it should not occur in a city with high impacts.

Janna Hack

2961 Union Street

Madison, WI 53704

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Veldran, Lisa

From: B.E. Smith <conlonsmithbe@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 10:03 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Vote YES on #77 - Resolution opposing the F-35s, in response to the Final Environmental Impact Statement

Dear Alders:

Please support the resolution opposing the F35s, which is item #77 on the Common Council Agenda this week.

It is not a matter of being anti-military. My family has served in the military, including both my parents, my nephew currently an active Air Force member, and others. However I have studied the issue of the F-35s and believe it is a very bad policy to put these fighter/bomber planes in Madison.

The cost of the F-35s is excessive, even criminal. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s that we expect to have in Madison is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.

We are an education town. The indiscriminate funding of military equipment is taking money from key research and education our community needs, both locally and nationally.

Former U.S. Senator Russ Feingold called for scrapping the entire F-35 program in 2016. He had of course served many years in the Senate and had an unusual overview of how this fit in with other military approaches, but still called for an end to this wasteful weapons system. Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Sincerely,
Barbara E. Smith
456 N. Few St.
Madison WI 53703

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jodi Wortsman <wortsmanjodi@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 10:18 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown.

Hi all,
I ask you all to support this resolution (agenda #77).

Thank you to all the alders who sponsored this important item.

Thank you! Jodi Wortsman
2610 E. Dayton Street
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Peter Gottlieb <pgpetergottlieb@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 10:21 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: In Support of F-35 Resolution

Dear Alders: I'm writing to ask each of you to support the resolution on F-35s that will be discussed at tonight's city council meeting. Please consider that the EIS documented the harmful effects from noise to many neighborhoods bordering and close to Truax Field. This harm is in addition to the potential for water and soil contamination that would be caused by construction at Truax in preparation for the bed-down of the F-35s.

I do not believe that any economic benefits of bringing the F-35s to Madison would be commensurate to the harm from noise and from soil and water contamination. Possible economic benefits would also likely accrue to Madison residents who are relatively better off, while the harm to residents would affect the less well off many of whom are also members of minority communities. Thus, bringing the F-35s to Madison would worsen the economic inequality that already afflicts the city, in conflict with the plans, goals, and values that the city council itself has already adopted.

To be clear, I do not oppose the Air National Guard nor the 115th Fighter Wing, both of which are valued parts of our state and national defense.

Thank you for listening and for considering my request for support of the resolution.

Sincerely, Peter Gottlieb
212 Highland Ave.
Madison WI 53705

Veldran, Lisa

From: Marcia <cocoon@mwt.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 10:22 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support Response to Final Environmental Impact Statement for Air National Guard F-35A Operation Beddown

Hello,

Please respond to the safety and health needs of citizens of Madison, particularly those who live near the base. Already the effects from the base poison Madison's water supply. We do not need more expensive and unnecessary military expenditures in the midst of the health crisis and the needs of ordinary citizens facing illness with no jobs.

Thanks.

Blessings,

Marcia Halligan

S4001 River Road

Viroqua, WI. 54665

P.S. I lived in Madison while going to UW and feel a connection to it.



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Veldran, Lisa

From: david diamondstone <morontojunc@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 10:45 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Resolution

Dear Alders,

My name is David Diamondstone and I have lived at 2625 Coolidge St. in Madison for 18 years, and I know firsthand how loud the F-16's are, so I encourage you to pass the resolution opposing the F-35 mission. The dangerous noise levels, pollution from PFAS and aircraft crashes vastly outweigh any potential economic benefit to having the F-35's here in Madison.

Thank you for your consideration.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Maggie Fitzsimmons <maggiemfitzsimmons@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 10:49 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: Ken Fitzsimmons
Subject: Support for No F-35's: Common Council Resolution

Dear Alders,

Please support the Common Council resolution: "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

Our family, which includes two small children, lives at 58 Farwell St and we are directly in the flight path. We already endure regular fighter jet rounds and more, louder jets contributing to increased pollution will negatively impact our quality of life. Please make the choice to protect our environment for future generations, our quality of life, and our home values. This is an important opportunity to act now to protect our community - which we all need now more than ever, perhaps.

Thank you,
Maggie & Ken Fitzsimmons
58 Farwell St.
Madison, WI

Veldran, Lisa

From: Kt T <kitimmer@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 10:52 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please Support Resolution Opposing F-35s

Dear Alders of Madison,
Please support the resolution opposing F-35s today. I have lived in Madison for 34 years and the negative effects of F-35s in Truax contradicts many of the values I have believed our city to hold for so long. Safeguarding all of our citizens, including diverse communities, and our lakes should stay paramount.

I stand with the families who live in the directly impacted area:

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thank you,
Kit Timmerman

Veldran, Lisa

From: Mary Kateada <marykateada@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 10:58 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Basing F-35's @Truax

Dear Alders,

First, let us thank you for safely carrying on the business of Madison. Your commitment and ongoing effort to keep the city running, given the current duress we are all living under, is greatly and humbly appreciated.

As we understand it, in response to the Final Environmental Impact Statement, you will be voting tonight on a new resolution opposing the basing of F-35's at Truax. We are writing to urge you to hold strong in that opposition. In this unprecedented time of global crisis and the ever-heightening need to take care of ourselves so we can safe guard and take care of each other, we want to make the shout out for our friends and neighbors here in Madison, most particularly those on the north side. We cannot, we must not subject them to this folly. We do not want this business in our backyard and we don't want it in their backyards.

Good will and good health to and for all in Madison is what we are asking you to strive for. We must protect and care for each other.

With high regard for all you do,

Mary Kateada
Frank Schneeberger
3529 Lucia Crest
Madison WI 53705
(608)442-0054

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jennifer Hector <jennifer.hector12@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 11:08 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support Common Council's resolution

Dear Council Members,

I am writing to ask you to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

I am not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing. I am opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children. There are statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down. The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators. Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities. For more information at safeskiescleanwaterwi.org.

Please support the Common Council's resolution, "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

Sincerely,
Jennifer Hector
4800 Spaanem Ave
Madison, WI 53716

Veldran, Lisa

From: Lunds <go2lunds@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 11:40 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support Common Council Resolution

To All Alders,

I am writing urging the entire Common Council to support the Resolution responding to the final EIS regarding the F-35 beddown in Madison.

Please do your part to protect the people and community especially around Truax Air Field.

Thank you.
Elrene Lund
2050 E Mifflin St
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jenny Green <jenny@shushudesign.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 11:51 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: Kenn Busch
Subject: Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Bed down."

Dear Alders,

We live in the Worthington Park Neighborhood. We are already regularly exposed to deafening noise from the F-16s. We cannot talk on the phone or to each other in the house when they fly over, EVEN WHEN ALL THE WINDOWS ARE CLOSED. When outside, we have to cover our ears because the noise is physically painful. The new jets will be louder, more frequent, and there is zero noise mitigation planned for this affordable Madison neighborhood, which is home to multiple vulnerable populations (fixed-income seniors, low-income families, and lots of children).

Yes, we knew we were moving near an airport when we bought this house. Yes, we are in favor of new jobs for Madisonians, when they pay living wages and don't do harm to our environment or any of our citizens. The jobs from the F-35s don't meet these criteria. And we don't even know that these employees will choose to live within the city of Madison. They certainly won't choose to live in or near the flight paths if they have any choice at all. Those of us who already live here have no choice.

We are urging you to please support the resolution, "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

Thank you for your service to the community,
Jennifer Green and Kenn Busch
3117 Hermina Street
Madison, WI 53714

Veldran, Lisa

From: Steven Klafka <sklafka@wingraengineering.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 11:52 AM
To: Ramon Ortiz
Cc: Mayor; Parisi, Joseph; Governor Tony Evers; Airport Director Kimberly Jones; All Alders; Dane County Board of Supervisors; School District Administrator Jane Belmore; Madison Metropolitan School District Board of Education; Paul Knapp
Subject: Press Release - Safe Skies Leaders Mail Petition to Air Force with More than 2,000 Signatures Opposing F-35 Fighter Jets at Truax Field
Attachments: New Release - Submission of Petition to Secretary of Air Force with Petition - 3-23-20.pdf

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 23, 2020

Contact: Steven Klafka, (608) 255-5030

Safe Skies Clean Water Coalition Sends Petition to Air Force

This past Thursday, Safe Skies Clean Water Wisconsin sent Barbara Barrett, Secretary of the Air Force, and Wisconsin government officials a petition signed by more than 2,000 residents opposed to the beddown of F-35 fighter jets at Truax Field in Madison. "In light of the coronavirus pandemic, we think it is more critical than ever that our public funds are focused on supporting our community's health and well-being, not for unnecessary weapons systems that put residents and other nations at greater risk," stated Vicki Berenson, a leader of the coalition.

The petition states:

We are residents of Wisconsin who oppose F-35 jets being stationed at the Truax Air Force base in Madison. We believe that the combined environmental and economic impacts to nearby residents, workplaces and schools are too great a risk to our community. We request our federal, state, and local elected officials and the Secretary of the Air Force recognize the best interests of our community by choosing not to support the siting of F-35's in Madison.

The final Environmental Impact Statement prepared by the Air Force evaluated five potential sites for a squadron of F-35 jets. Unlike other sites, Truax Field is set in a high-density urban area with thousands of residents on Madison's east and north side. Many residents are low income and minority families. Of the five sites, Truax Field will have the greatest health and environmental justice impacts. The final EIS concludes:

"There would be significant disproportionate impacts to low-income and minority populations as well as children. The increase in noise exposure to the south of the airport would disproportionately impact low-income areas and the increase in noise exposure to the east of the airport would disproportionately impact a low-income minority population. In addition, the Proposed Action could disproportionately impact children."

Madison and Dane County lead Wisconsin in population growth and employment in the tech sector. Unemployment is so low that the 64 jobs created by the F-35 project is a meaningless benefit. Any benefits would be offset by impacts to the 2,766 people, \$225 million of property value, and numerous schools within the projected 65 decibel noise impact zone, as well as the more than 60,000 people that live within three miles of Truax Field.

The Air National Guard (ANG) at Truax Field has contaminated local groundwater, Starkweather Creek and Lake Monona with PFAS from fire-fighting chemicals, exposing residents and causing the shutdown of a municipal drinking well serving thousands of residents. The ANG has been ordered to investigate and clean up this contamination by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and is liable for hundreds of million dollars in cleanup costs.

The F-35 jet is an offensive strike fighter and designed to carry nuclear weapons. It is made of composite materials which generate toxic fumes in a crash. It has been plagued by design flaws. The presence of F-35 jets in our urban area will place city residents at risk. As the signers of the petition attest, the combined environmental and economic impacts to nearby residents, workplaces and schools are too great a risk to our community.

Safe Skies Clean Water Wisconsin continues to educate Madison and Dane County residents about the dangers of the F-35 fighter jet squadron proposed for Truax Field. Visit www.safeskiescleanwaterwi.org for more information.

Attached photo: Safe Skies leaders [Left to right] Barbara Smith, Vicki Berenson and Harry Richardson mail petition to the Air Force this past Thursday, March 19.

Tom Boswell 608/718-7312 tomboswell2002@yahoo.com

[Wisconsin State Journal Article - F-35 opposition group petitions Air Force secretary to send jets elsewhere](#)

Safe Skies Mails Petition to AirForce.jpg



Veldran, Lisa

From: Karen Faster <karen@ohioavenue.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 12:00 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: Mayor
Subject: oppose F-35s

Dear alders,

Please vote in support of the resolution to oppose bedding down F-35s at Truax Field:

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

The effects of F-35s will harm to the health and environment of our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children. Businesses oppose having the jets and the disruption they will (and the F16s do) cause.

Please send the message that the money would be better spent on civilian infrastructure for broadband, health care and equipment, food safety, income support, and housing for at-risk populations.

Thank you for your consideration.

Karen Faster

Karen Faster

133 Ohio Avenue

Madison WI 53704-5450

karen@ohioavenue.com

(608) 244-2324 home and mobile

Veldran, Lisa

From: Gloria Castillo <gloria.castillo@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 12:09 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

Hello,

My name is Gloria Castillo and I am a citizen living on the east side of Madison. Today I want to raise my voice in support of the common council resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

- I oppose basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children. I believe the environmental injustice that F-35 will bring to this community will be beyond measure and we own our families and future generations an environment where we can ALL thrive and feel like we belong.

- I believe the cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators. We don't have the privilege to choose lives over economic and militaristic benefits.

We appreciate your support to our local communities and the wellbeing of our families.

In appreciation,
Gloria

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Gloria Castillo Posada

MS Environment and Resources
Nelson Institute for Environmental Studies
Gender and Women's studies
University of Wisconsin-Madison

Veldran, Lisa

From: mary knotts <knottsmary@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 12:15 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Common Council resolution

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

I am not in the area which will be the **most** devastated if the F-35's are based here, but I'm not far from it. I am deeply concerned for the neighborhoods and populations in the area most directly vulnerable. If the F-35's are based where it is proposed, this will be environmental injustice on a monumental scale - noise, PFA's, and loss of property value - among other impacts that have been repeatedly laid out in the past.

Mary Knotts
2737 Milwaukee St
Madison, WI

Veldran, Lisa

From: Madeline Kasprzak <madeline.kasprzak@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 12:22 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the common councils resolution responding to the final EIS for the air national guard F-35A operational beddown

Hello-

I hope I am not too late to urge all of you to support the Common Council's opposition to the beddown of the F-35A Jets in Madison, WI.

I believe the official title is "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

I have lived near the darbo-worthington neighborhood for almost 10 years. I have many friends who live near me, on Madison's east side. And this possible beddown of the F-35 jets in our community is directly threatening to all livelihoods in Madison. The EIS has already highlighted all the damaging impacts these F-35 jets would have in our community and yet, it seems like folks aren't getting it.

This is not about the army, or the support/non support of the national guard. This is not about politics or us vs them. This is about safety in our community, about social equity, about personal health, businesses, our economy, the environment, our children, our local wildlife. This is about protecting those that fly these jets, and about the cost to our county at a time where they cannot even afford ventilators. These jets are poorly built, they are not safe to those who fly them, they are very expensive and dangerous sources of pollution (noise, water, soil), and they are outdated (it's all drones now anyways).

They are such an illogical jet in making and it makes absolutely no sense to house such jets in an urban area like Madison. The benefits are so minimal, and the costs so high, that this decision seems so clear.

Please support the resolution by Common Council opposing the beddown of these F35A jets in Madison, for the sake of all of us that live here.

Madeline Kasprzak

2930 Union Street apt 2
Madison WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: lynnreedshafel@gmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 12:23 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: [All Alders] Support resolution against F-35s

Recipient: All Alders

Name: Lynn Shafel
Address: 456 Marston Avenue, Madison, 58 53703
Phone: 6082561885
Email: lynnreedshafel@gmail.com

Would you like us to contact you? No, do not contact me

Message:

I urge you to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement EIS for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

- We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive when we need the funding for domestic needs. 18 F-35s cost about the same as 80,000 ventilators
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.
- The Air Force has not cleaned up the PFAS that have contaminated the Truax area where building would be done, and adding the F-35 program would increase pollution of our air, water, and soil.
- The environmental and human costs would far, far outweigh the meager and temporary economic benefit of placing the F-35 program at Truax. Loss of real estate taxes, costs of sound mitigation, costs of environmental clean-up, cost to the stellar standard of living here in Madison. And the brunt is to be borne by low-income people of color, the elderly and children. What type of calculus is that??

Veldran, Lisa

From: Walker Shapiro <walkershapiro@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 12:29 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 - Oppose

To whom it may concern,

I am writing in strong opposition to hosting the F-35 program in Madison. The environmental impact statement makes it clear this program would expose Madison residents to noise levels know to damage hearing. As Madison resident, father, and primary care physician, I am concerned for myself, my children, and my patients. I implore you to oppose this program.

Walker B Shapiro, MD
walkershapiro@gmail.com

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Tara-Caitriona Paredes <greenoakdc@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 1:01 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Writing again to ask alders to oppose F-35s

Dear Alders,

I am opposed to F-35s in Madison, WI.

As a chiropractic doctor, I am invested in the health and well-being of my patients, and the quality of life in our community. F-35s pose a huge risk to the health and well-being of many of my patients, friends and neighbors, and will damage the quality of life in our entire community. This damage to our community will be wrought, not only by the physical, chemical and audible violence, pollution and disruption caused directly by these aircraft, but also by the destruction of one of the most economically and ethnically diverse neighborhoods in this city. This Covid-19 pandemic underscores the need for safe, affordable housing within our community to STAY SAFER AT HOME!

Within the proposed F-35 base range in Madison's Eastside, many homes are in higher decibel range and will be razed: individuals and families will be forced from their homes. Others, up to one thousand homes, will not be razed but will be deemed uninhabitable due to the high decibel range. This means that, while individuals and families are unable to live in their homes, they won't be able to sell their *non-homes*, and will still be saddled with the mortgages. And even beyond this secondary range, in the *habitable* range of these F-35s, studies show deleterious trauma and damage to individuals, families, children.

This Madison neighborhood, one of tremendous economic and ethnic diversity, is under siege. And we must all truly understand why this is... It is precisely because our country has a savage and despicable history of minimizing, displacing, persecuting and destroying people and communities of color, ethnic diversity and economic diversity. We need to stop. Now.

NO F-35s.

Dr Tara Paredes: Chiropractor

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Veldran, Lisa

From: sylvie rosenthal <sylvie.rosenthal@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 1:03 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: PLEASE NO F-35's in madison

Dear Alders,

As a resident of Madison WI who lives + owns a house close to that airport, please vote NO on F-35's. The Fighter jets that currently fly are loud enough. I am opposed to the F-35's basing out of The Dane Country Regional Airport because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children. We have statements from close to 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down. The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.

So many residents in my neighborhood have signs stating that they are against the F-35's. this impacts peoples lives and health. It will be too loud in my house, it will tank my our home value and that of our neighbors and the low income housing in my neighborhood.

please please please vote NO on F-35's in Madison

with thanks,
sylvie

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Sylvie Rosenthal

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Veldran, Lisa

From: TRACY L MATTICE <t.mattice@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 1:07 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution

Please support the resolution opposing F-35s on tonight's agenda.

I live pretty close to the airport and am concerned about how the increase in noise will impact the surrounding communities. I am also very concerned about the increase in CO2 emissions and PFAS. Thanks you for supporting this resolution opposing the F-35s. .

Tracy Mattice
Madison WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Melina Lozano <melina@uwalumni.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 1:10 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: in support of agenda item #77

- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 and the egregious health and environmental effects to our community, unfairly affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- So, this resolution is not about opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing *per se*.
- We have statements from approximately 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. At this time, we need the funding to fight COVID-19, i.e., the cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Annie Menzel <anniemenzel@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 1:10 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please SUPPORT the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

Dear Alders,

My family and I are residents of the east side Union Corners neighborhood, across East Washington from Eken Park. While we are (just barely) outside the decibel danger zone from the F35s, we are in the flight path and hear many loud flights overhead each day (before COVID at least...)--my 5 year old daughter often covers her ears when they fly over. We also live three blocks from Starkweather Creek, where we are sad to see the new signs about the PFAS chemicals ALREADY coming from the airport and poisoning our water and fish.

For my daughter, all kids and families, and all of our neighbors on Madison's north and east side, I ask you to please vote to **support** the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown." We are not opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.

We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful effects to our community, particularly people with low-incomes, people of color, and children. We have statements from almost 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down. The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. **The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.** Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

PLEASE LISTEN. PLEASE DO THE RIGHT THING FOR OUR CHILDREN, OUR WATER, AND ALL LIFE.

Please SUPPORT the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

Sincerely,

Annie Menzel
2629 Union Street
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Veldran, Lisa

From: Tom Boswell <tomboswell2002@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 1:12 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Here are even more crucial reasons to vote in favor of the resolution against the F-35 Beddown Project
Attachments: Letter to Madison Alders 3-31-20.docx

Dear Madison Alders,

Please vote in favor of the Common Council resolution being consider this evening: “Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown.”

You have all heard the obvious reasons to support this resolution, enumerated in its third paragraph: the impact the F-35 project will have in substantially reducing the quality and quantity of affordable housing; the decreased value of the property tax base; reduced opportunities for transit-oriented development; the ongoing soil, ground and surface water contamination violations by the Air National Guard and Air Force, which will be exacerbated by this project; and the significant adverse health impacts that will disproportionately affect children and low-income and minority residents.

These should be ample reasons to reject this ill-conceived project. But there are other broader reasons to be concerned about this latest attempted incursion of the military industrial complex into our community. When Pierre Sprey, the fighter jet designer and defense analyst, visited Madison several months ago, he told us with certainty that no F-35 in the country is presently equipped for nuclear weapons but every one would be in the future. The bomb that the F-35 is designed to carry is the B61-12, sometimes called the most dangerous nuclear weapon in America’s arsenal because its “dial-a-yield” capability allows it to be dialed down to “only” a third of a kiloton, making it a “usable” nuclear weapon.

John LaForge, a writer and anti-nuclear activist from Luck, Wisconsin wrote in the latest issue of the *Nukewatch Quarterly* that the U.S. plans to build and deploy 200 of these B61-12 bombs in Europe by 2022. Germany already has an older version of the bomb, against the wishes of 90 percent of the German people, but the U.S. plans to replace them with the newer weapon. (Do you think the people of Dane County will have a say in the matter when the Air Force decides to bring the bomb here, when the people of Germany do not?) Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands and Turkey will be the other countries to get this “gift.”

And here’s the catch: Yes, the plane that carries the bomb is the most expensive weapon the world has ever known, but the bomb is hardly a bargain-basement deal. They will cost at least \$25 million each, according to LaForge. I barely got through my math classes in high school, so I’m not even certain how to compute this, but I believe 200 X \$25 million adds up to \$5,000 million, if there even is such a number. And that’s only enough nuclear bombs for a few of our friends in Europe. Please let this sink in for a moment.

Our opponents at the Badger Air Community Council argue that this plane is good for our economy, with the paltry jobs the project will provide for a few active-duty Air Force and Lockheed Martin technicians. Meanwhile, we are in the midst of a pandemic where we find the richest country on earth can’t even scrounge up enough ventilators and masks and Personal Protective Equipment and doctors and nurses to save the lives of its own people.

Something is seriously out-of-kilter here. What the Badger Air Community Council calls an “economy” is nothing other than a modern form of mass lunacy. I write this as I hear the F-16s roaring over my head this Tuesday morning. Our opponents claim they are making us “safe.” How many Madison residents will die from the virus while these jets continue to make us safe by polluting our air and shattering our skies with their abhorrent noise?

In an article posted online yesterday, William Astore reminds us that the current pandemic is just the beginning. “Climate change promises yet more upheavals, more chaos, more diseases. America’s wanton militarism and lying politicians promise more wars,” he writes. Astore is a retired Air Force lieutenant colonel who has taught at the Air Force Academy and Naval Postgraduate School.

Astore questions our “massive and wasteful military spending” and asks what sense there is in investing \$1.7 trillion to “modernize” our nuclear arsenal “to exterminate humanity when the old ones still work just fine.” He adds that “hundreds of stealth fighters and bombers—it’s estimated that Lockheed Martin’s disappointing F-35 jet fighter alone will cost \$1.5 trillion over its life span—do nothing to secure us from pandemics, the devastating effects of climate change, or other all-too-pressing threats.

“To respond to COVID-19, climate change, and the staggering wealth inequities in this country that, when combined, will cause unbelievable levels of needless suffering, what’s needed is a drastic reordering of our national priorities,” Astore maintains. Major disruptions like the current pandemic create opportunities for dramatic change, he says.

This change can start with you. You can choose to continue down this road of lunacy and self-annihilation that some people call an economy. Or you can take a different path and show the rest of the world what is still possible. We have two options. Together we can choose to create an economy that serves people and helps to restore our battered planet. Or we can choose one that serves only the merchants of death.

Please choose the first option and vote in favor of the resolution this evening.

Sincerely,

Tom Boswell

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Madison, 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Harry Richardson <richardsonharry348@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 1:14 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Agenda item 77 No F-35 In Madison or anywhere.

To the Mayor and Common Council members,

First of all thanks to everyone who has made this virtual meeting possible especially the techies who are improvising all this. Thanks also for taking up this important issue again. Time as you know is of the essence the Air Force is scheduled to make a final decision any day now. As a 42 year resident of Madison most of that on the near east side, I'm concerned for the working class people of our neighborhood who deserve to live in peace and work in their gardens. I am reminded of the Biblical quote used in Hamilton. Washington explains to Hamilton his decision not to run for president again. It's from Micheas Chapter 4 verse 4 in my dad's bible, "And every man shall sit under his vine and under his fig tree and there shall be none to make them afraid."

These line reminds me of my mother, who grew up on the farm and worked hard most of her life. Mom worked at Campbell Soup in Fremont, Nebraska where I grew up. Then as now a blue collar town. She was in the same union as my friends that used to work at Oscar Mayer's. The Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workman's Union, now the United Food and Commercial Workers. (UFCW) In season mom would come home after a hard days work taking bones out of chickens and work for several hours in her garden. I didn't get it then, dad and I were deployed to weeding, harvesting and other tasks. but I think I understand now. Mom found peace in her own garden and it helped her to carry on.

Just as people here find peace in their gardens be they in the shadow of Oscar's or Troy Gardens. or Oak Park Terrace (the trailer park near the airport) The gardens also are practical, an important supplement to tight food budgets.

There should be no F-35's in Madison or anywhere because this is a killing machine, an offensive weapon which will have nuclear capability.

Just as we have a right to peace here in our own gardens so do people around the world. We have no business making weapons that have already been deployed abroad to deadly effect by the US, Israel in Syria and will soon be used by other countries.

Finally in this time of crisis the F-35 program should be cancelled and the funds used to help aid people harmed by the Corona virus. The Air National Guard and other Guard members should be converting the Monona Terrace Convention Center for the homeless and care for people from our soon to be overflowing hospitals. In New York the Javits Center has had at least part of its facilities converted for hospital use by the National Guard. We need emergency shelters for the homeless, money to those unemployed so they can maintain themselves in their homes and so much more. Money for the people not for the F-35.

Thank you for taking the time to read this. Be well in these difficult times.

Sincerely,

Harry Richardson

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Madison, Wisconsin

Executive board member of AFSCME Local 171. we passed a resolution opposing the F-35

Veldran, Lisa

From: jill innes <greysheva@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 1:45 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s at Truax

As a long time citizen of Madison I would like to City Council take a stand for our lovely city & oppose the placement of F-35s at Truax Field. Besides the report showing detrimental environmental consequences and the noise will make many housing units uninhabitable, the planes themselves are dangerous to pilots. By not opposing this plan, we are giving the appearance that we agree that the military can spend our tax dollars in wasteful ways and disturb any environment without accountability.

Thank you for all you do,
Jill Innes

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Buzz Davis <dbuzzdavis@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 2:02 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: ChildrenShouldNotBeCollateralDamage! Vote Yes Pls! Re: Please support resolution on the siting of F-35's elsewhere than Madison

Dear Alders!
CC: Mayor

Yesterday I wrote the below email to you. Today I read the WSJ article [F-35 supporters call on Madison to delay resolution opposing the jets](#)

Please do not be fooled by the DOD propaganda on jobs, jobs, and money, money with the siting of F-35's in Madison. As a former Army officer we know that war is not the answer to solving political conflicts. If it was we would have won, Vietnam, and all the wars since.

But we have lost and are losing all those wars. DOD generals say bombing countries into the Dark Ages stops wars and wins the peace. History has proven those speakers as liars and they know better but they forever repeat the lies.

In the Middle East for decades now the USA has treated children as "collateral damage" when bombers, fighter jets, and attack helicopters hit villages. We have dropped more bombs than in WWII on the Middle East. What have we done? We certainly have not stopped the wars.

Millions of ME kids have been traumatized and many have lost their hearing due to such weapons as F-35s carry, as I have.

WE DO not need to damage the kids in our cities of Madison or my new home town of Tucson with the racket of fighter jets. Put these bases in the deserts not in the middle of America's cities.

Pls. vote yes on the F-35 resolution. It will not stop the placement of such jets but it will speak out against the "war for ever mentality" of our nation and world.

Thank you and Peace!
Buzz Davis, Veterans for Peace Tucson, 608-239-5354

In a message dated 3/30/2020 7:36:58 PM Mountain Standard Time, dbuzzdavis@aol.com writes:

To: Madison City Council Alders

Fr: Buzz Davis, formerly of Stoughton and now of 813 S. Deer Meadow Loop, Tucson 85745

Subject: Please consider voting yes for agenda item 77 the F-35 Resolution #60043

Dear Alders:

As a former Stoughton Alders and Co. Board member I thank each of you for your service! You time and study of the issues away for family, jobs and hobbies in service to our communities is what makes America tick!

My wife and I live in the flight path of the A-10 and F-16 fighter jets stationed at Davis-Monthan AF Base here in Tucson. We live a number of miles west of the air base but the fighters fly directly over our home to the bombing practice base far to the west of us.

The noise is too much to take.

1. When one plane takes off or lands, if a person is outside or inside his home, conversation usually comes to a stop. Many of these planes drown out the conversation.
2. It is never known if only one or two, or four or six are going to be taking off or landing.
3. The pilots space themselves out to try to reduce the noise but each plane is noisy and under some conditions the planes are very noisy.

When landing many of the F16 make much noise flying overhead and then when you think the sound is going to die out because they are disappearing, there is a loud rolling boom.

4. No matter how the pilots take off or land there is great noise and the wave of the booms can be felt on the body if you are outside.
 5. These planes fly early in the morning, during the day and during the evening up to 8PM or so. They fly seven days a week.
 6. As a former Army officer trained as an infantry officer I certainly greatly appreciate the support of fighter aircraft when they are on my side.
- But these planes (A-10s and F-16 fighters) make too much noise for little kids at homes, on playgrounds and in schools. We should not be doing this to our kids.

Thank you for considering voting YES Tuesday night to help all cities and all citizens!

Peace!

Buzz Davis, Veterans for Peace Chapter 13 Tucson, AZ, 608-239-5354

Veldran, Lisa

From: Karen Greenler <kgreenler@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 2:08 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: support of Common Council resolution opposing basing F-35's at Truax

Dear Alders,

I am heartened by the resolution before you this evening to oppose basing the F-35's at Truax field. It is clear from the EIS that if they were based at Truax, there would be serious and long-standing damage to the health and well-being of several Madison neighborhoods, with excessive noise and the possible disruption of PFA contaminated soil. The F-35 program is also an expensive boondoggle that will not keep our community safer. For these and other reasons I oppose the F-35's being housed in Madison and support the Common Council resolution opposing their placement here.

Many thanks for all you do,
Karen Greenler
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Madison, WI 53714

Veldran, Lisa

From: Linda Szewczyk <linda.szewczyk@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 2:09 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: As you vote tonight on Agenda 77.....

I am writing this note to ask you to carefully embrace this moment. There are those in Madison who believe having the F-35s bedded here certainly has to be a good thing for our community. But I am asking you to listen to those smaller well-informed and engaged citizens' voices truly concerned for the all too-negative effects. Thank you to those of you who created the resolution against bedding the F-35s here. You have so graciously responded to those who truly want to be involved in social concerns. Now I ask that all alders please embrace this moment, and carefully listen to the voices of your people.

Linda Szewczyk
1941 Spohn Ave
Madison WI 53704

From: Tom Wilson <tlwilson1986@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 2:15 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: 3/31/2020 Council Meeting - Tom Wilson Comments on Items 18 & 77

Members of the City of Madison Common Council,

I would like to share my thoughts on Item 18, State of Emergency Declaration, and Item 77, Responding to the Final EIS for the F-35 Operational Beddown. I understand that you have a considerable agenda to get through tonight and likely a large volume of comments to consider, so I will do my best to be brief.

Item 18 - Declaring that a state of emergency is hereby in existence for the City of Madison pursuant to Wis. Stats. § 323.11 and MGO Section 3.19.

The City of Madison is without a doubt in a state of emergency as a result of the current public health crisis, and I support the Common Council declaring this state of emergency, but I have concerns about how the emergency proclamations and orders have been rolled out over the past week and how they may be rolled out going forward. Wis. Stats. § 323.11 and MGO Section 3.19 very clearly give the authority to declare emergencies and the 'general authority to order, by ordinance or resolution, whatever is necessary and expedient for the health, safety, welfare and good order of the city in the emergency' to the Common Council and delegates that power to the Office of the Mayor if the emergency prevents the council from meeting in a timely manner. In times of crisis it is often necessary to consolidate some decision making in order to ensure timely and efficient response and mobilization of resources but I believe that unilateral proclamations of the kind that have come out the past week are more appropriate for emergencies such as a severe tornado strike, the transformer fire of last summer, or a breach of the Tenney Park Dam during a flood event when decisions need to be made in a time frame of minutes or hours. I feel that in the current crisis, the Common Council needs to commit to meeting as often as necessary on an emergency basis to ensure that it meets its obligations under MGO Section 3.19, especially paragraphs 1 and 2, and in doing so ensures that the citizens of Madison are well-represented in the decision making process throughout this crisis, and that subsequent emergency proclamations and orders come from the Common Council to the extent possible. Only weighing in at regularly scheduled meetings, as is suggested in the recent proclamations, is an unacceptable abdication of Council authority and responsibility in my opinion.

Emergency Order 8 of 3/26/2020, consolidating the authority of the Transportation Commission (TC) to four individuals, is also concerning to me largely because the Common Council at its meeting on 3/17 gave away the authority to allow or not allow Boards, Committees, and Commissions (BCCs) to meet. If transportation issues are sufficiently important, and I would argue that they are, the TC should be allowed to meet and bigger picture the permission to do so should be given or denied by the Common Council. I want to be very clear that my opinion on this matter has nothing to do with any of the individuals that are being given this power under the current order. I know all of them, they are all very intelligent, experienced, hard-working, and want what's best for Madison. I trust that they will make good decisions but I don't believe policy should be crafted for individuals, it should be crafted for positions. The importance of BCCs that weigh in on critical operations of the City being allowed to meet during this time was really reinforced last night at the meeting of the Transportation Policy and Planning Board. At that meeting, board members got an overview of the outstanding work that has been done and continues to be done by staff in response to this crisis, but critically also witnessed the importance of public input. Members of the Board and members of the public who called in offered ideas that staff appeared highly impressed by and hadn't thought of yet. The point I am trying to make here is the same as the one I was trying to make two weeks ago when I wrote my opposition to the ordinance prohibiting BCC meetings during any officially declared emergency, which is that over-consolidation of decision making by cutting off staff from BCC members and public input during this time will weaken our response and inhibit the free flow of good ideas. We are very fortunate to have intelligent, experienced, and mindful leadership and staff, but their work is made more effective by including public input, not less.

Item 77 - Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown.

I support the Common Council opposing the selection of Truax Field in Madison, WI as a preferred location for the 5th Operational Beddown and requesting that the Secretary of the US Air Force not move forward with a beddown of F-35 jets at Truax Field, and remove Truax Field from future consideration. I believe that based on the results of the final Environmental Impact Statement that indicated significant and disproportionate negative impacts to many of our communities on the north and east sides of Madison and Resolution 19-00588 of September 17, 2019, that this is the correct action. I also feel the need, particularly as a veteran, to call out the unprincipled way in which some have tried to characterize opposition to the F-35s as a slap in the face to service members. I reject that characterization utterly and find this kind of all-or-nothing patriotism dangerous and divisive.

Respectfully,

Tom Wilson
(he, him, his)
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From: bette g <cocolatted@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 2:18 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please Support Agenda Item 77, Legistar 60043

Dear Madison Common Council Alders,

Please support the Resolution **Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Bed Down** (Legistar 60043) opposing the selection of Truax Field as a preferred location for basing F-35 jets.

The significant adverse impacts set forth in the Final EIS outweigh potential economic benefits, the calculation of which does not take into account environmental degradation and serious effects on the quality of life on the north and east sides of Madison.

Elizabeth and Richard Godfrey
6 Bromley Circle

Veldran, Lisa

From: Ariel Haber-Fawcett <haberfaa@lafayette.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 2:32 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: NO F-35s

Hello,

My name is Ariel Haber-Fawcett. I live at 1209 Spaight St. Madison, WI 53703.

I am very against F-35s coming to Madison due to the detrimental environmental impacts, the associated safety concerns, and the fact that it is perpetuating environmental racism by being put in a low-income community of color. The decibel levels would mean that over 1,000 homes would become incompatible with residential use and this just isn't worth the supposed economic pull of 65ish new jobs.

Thanks,
Ariel

Veldran, Lisa

From: Celesnik, Marion
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 2:42 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

Dear City Council Member,

The Air Force does not consider the health and well-being of the community in it's decision of where to base the F-35. As an elected official, please represent the needs of those of us on the ground--- under the flight paths of those jets.

Sincerely,
Marian Celesnik
1734 Sheridan Dr
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Gary Tipler <garytip8778@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 2:49 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: I support NO F-35s in Madison. Thank you.

I've experienced the noise from the F-35s only once. It was the loudest sustained man-made sound I've ever heard. As a kid, my family lived on the Air Force base in Denver for two years, so the Air Force is part of our legacy.

The income for the region has been grossly exaggerated and shouldn't be the main criteria for accepting them at Truax.

The base will NOT be closed if F-35s don't come to Madison. The Air Force stated this.

We love the people of the Air National Guard, just not the F-35 bombers.

At the risk of reducing the livability and viability of Madison, please support the resolution -- No F-35s in Madison.

Thank you. -- Gary Tipler, 807 Jenifer Street, Madison.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Laurie Hall <lhlethall@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 3:01 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Agenda item 77

We do not need to delay the resolution opposing the jets.

Please act.

Thank you,

Laurie Hall

920.645.8548

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jim Pearson <pearson.jim.j@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 3:04 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support Resolution Item 77

File #60043

Please support resolution that based on significant adverse impacts identified in the Final EIS to multiple neighborhoods in Madison that the Common Council and the community opposes the selection as Madison for the beddown of F-35 bombers at Truax field.

Thank you for voting to support health and safety of your community.

James Pearson
917 Nancy Lane
Madison WI. 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Lisa Schreibersdorf <l.schreibersdorf@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 3:08 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown"

Please support the resolution voicing opposition to the beddown of F35s in Madison.

As a person who lives in an affected neighborhood, let me tell you how this feels. The Final EIS confirms significant environmental impacts, significant adverse health effects for children, people who are low income, and people of color. If the leaders of our city know this and disregard this, it is confirmation that the people in affected neighborhoods are voiceless and powerless.

I was home when one of the F35s that visited Madison flew over my house. I will tell you that the fact that there were not many calls to the complaint line is NOT evidence that no one noticed. It was not only notably louder than the F15s that regularly fly over but different in quality. I have a hard time describing it, but it stopped everyone in the house completely still (including the cat). We did not call the complaint line only because we were not aware that there was one.

I ask that you help by representing the voices of people who will be directly affected by this decision.

Thank you,
Lisa Schreibersdorf
2701 Willard Avenue
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: anitaweier@netscape.net
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 3:15 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support agenda item 77

Please vote yes on the measure strongly opposing the F-35 planes because of the impact shown in the Final EIS.

Thank you.

Anita Weier

(former Alder and Northside resident)

Veldran, Lisa

From: Susanne Dane <sdane1940@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 3:21 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

Please support the resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

I have strong concerns about the cost of this project, the impact on our neighborhoods and its safety.

Thank you .

Susanne Dane

Veldran, Lisa

From: Norm Littlejohn <norm.littlejohn@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 3:27 PM
To: All Alders; Mayor
Subject: F-35 resolution

Hello, Alders and Mayor Rhodes-Conway: I'm e-mailing to urge you to pass the proposed resolution against the home-fielding of F-35s at Truax. You've heard many arguments for and against, no doubt, but the anticipated damage to homeowners in the Truax area -- *by itself* -- is plenty of reason to let the Air Force know that Madison isn't the right place for these planes.

Please stand with northeast Madison homeowners and residents, and pass the resolution against F-35s at Truax.

Thanks

Norm Littlejohn
2209 Cypress Way #16, Madison
Alder District 14

Veldran, Lisa

From: Beverly <bjsmadison62@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 3:28 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support resolution responding to the Final EIS for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown.

Dear Madison Alders,

Please vote in favor of the Common Council resolution (agenda item #77) being considered this evening: "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

I oppose F-35 jets being stationed at the Truax Air Force base in Madison. The combined environmental and economic impacts to nearby residents, workplaces and schools are too great a risk to our community. Our federal, state, and local elected officials and the Secretary of the Air Force must recognize the best interests of our community by choosing not to support the siting of F-35's in Madison.

Sincerely,

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Beverly Speer
62 Farrell St, Madison 53714
bjsmadison62@gmail.com

Veldran, Lisa

From: Rusty Lee <ponyboyrustylee@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 3:33 PM
To: All Alders

Dear Alders of Madison,

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

- This resolution is not about opposing the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing.
- We are opposed to basing the F-35s at Truax in Madison because of the F-35 itself and the harmful health and environmental effects to our community, disproportionately affecting people with low-incomes, minorities and children.
- We have statements from close to 50 local and state organizations opposing the Truax bed-down.
- The cost of the F-35s is excessive. Now more than ever, we need the funding for other uses. The cost of 18 F-35s is about the same as 80,000 ventilators.
- Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

Thank you for your support and attention. This is an imperative time for health for our nation.

Well Wishes,
Rusty

Veldran, Lisa

From: Amy Hilgendorf <amy.hilgendorf@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 3:38 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the resolution in opposition of the F-35s basing at Truax

Dear Alders of the City of Madison,

As a Madison resident and citizen, I strongly encourage you to support the resolution to be voted on tonight that opposes the basing of the F-35 airplanes at Truax field. I have many concerns about how these plans will negatively impact the health, wellness, and economic situation of Madison residents, especially on the north and east sides of Madison, and especially for already vulnerable community members, including young children and low-income families of color. I also have concerns about furthering weapons of war through the activities we allow to take place in our community.

Thank you for hearing my concerns. Please support this resolution.

Amy Hilgendorf
107 Sutherland Ct #226
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Clare Norelle <clarenorelle@me.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 3:46 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: Safe Skies Leadership
Subject: Please support resolution to oppose the stationing of F-35s at Truax in Madison
Attachments: No F-35s educational posters.pdf; ATT00001.htm; No F-35s letter to alders.pdf; ATT00002.htm

Dear Madison Alders

Thank you so much for considering the Common Council resolution opposing the stationing of F-35 fighter jets at Truax. Please, please, vote in favor of this resolution.

I live on the north side of Madison, and I love this part of town. I moved here twenty years ago from the west coast, and raised my children in this neighborhood. For two decades we have enjoyed the peacefulness of the area, the company of other families of various racial and cultural backgrounds, and our proximity to the plants and wildlife of Cherokee Marsh.

I have enjoyed my 20 years in Madison. And it's deeply concerning now to think about younger families in Madison having to pay the price for bringing the F-35s to Truax. In particular:

—The increasing levels of PFAs and other deadly toxins in our water, and the physically and emotionally damaging levels of noise and air pollution

—The worsening of Dane County's nationally infamous racial and economic disparities, as low income schools on the north and east sides become places where learning is frequently disrupted by extremely loud fly-overs, and low income families lose accessible rental housing while others see property values go down without remediation.

Especially in these times of pandemic, we need to be finding better ways to support the health of our people—not adding in more factors, like the F-35s, that increase chronic stress and damage to people's immune systems.

The Air Force itself says that the F-35s will be particularly harmful to children, to low income people, and to people of color living in the neighborhoods closest to Truax. This should be enough to oppose bringing the jets to Madison.

I work with low income people in Dane County who have trauma, and I'm very concerned about the additional harm that the F-35s will bring to my clients and to our community. For this reason in the fall of 2019 I began to create a series of educational posters about the F-35s, as I wanted to make information about them more accessible to more people. I will include copies of those posters on the following pages.

In the meantime, thank you again for considering this resolution. **Please vote Yes!**

Sincerely,

Clare Norelle

Veldran, Lisa

From: Don Ferber <d_ferber@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 3:49 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution on F-35's in Madison

Alders,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to having F-35 aircraft based in Madison, and am asking you to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

My primary concern is that these aircraft will create unacceptable noise levels in our community and especially impact lower income residents and many others who at risk. This is unacceptable on its face, but it is also unacceptable for our military to come in and cause harm to, rather than protect, our citizens. We have to make a clear statement that if the military feels an action is truly warranted, that they pay all the costs of such action, and not be allowed to treat our residents as externalities. That should be a base rule for all actions and programs moving forward that all costs must be included internally, but the Air Force has made clear they will not protect all our citizens or cover the costs associated with placing these aircraft in Madison.

We have for too long been speaking of the need to reduce the disparities in equity in our community, with too little real progress. How can we claim to be standing up for equity if we sanction an action that will worsen the disparities and put people who are already at risk further in harms way?

I ask you vote Yes on agenda item 77 to support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown".

Respectfully,

Don Ferber
4700 Allis Ave
Madison, WI 53716

Veldran, Lisa

From: Gary Storck <gfstorck@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 3:52 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Vote NO on F-35s

Dear Madison Alders,

I was reminded to send this by a Facebook post from my friend Brian Benford, who knocked it out of the park with a compelling essay on why Madison must reject the F-35 deployment and I hope you have al read it.

With the pandemic, America and Madison's true needs have been laid bare. It was the blind pursuit of militarism that led to this deployment being planned for Madison.

But it is also this militarism that polluted our drinking water with PFAs, and that refuses to clean it up. It is militarism that wants to come in and destroy our quality of life further and negatively impact our most vulnerable communities with negative impacts the Air Force's own EIS has laid out.

It is militarism that made this nation so woefully unprepared for the Covid-19 pandemic.

Please tell the DOD and WI Nat Guard to forget it. We are already wounded enough by the carelessness and recklessness of this military economy.

Please find it in yourselves to stand up as one together and SHOUT NO! Lose your selfish, petty divisions for one night!

Which side are you on?

We'll know in a few hours who really cares about this city and its people!

Sincerely,

Gary Storck
2071 Winnebago St.
Madison, WI.
608-395-1958

Veldran, Lisa

From: stephanie speicher <steph_speicher@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 3:58 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the Common Council's resolution

Dear City of Madison Alders,

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Air National Guard F-35."

As a Madison resident (Home address: 1540 Adams St Madison, WI 53711), I oppose the F-35s in my city. As a Quaker, I oppose warfare in all forms and oppose the noise pollution which would primarily target low-income families without ample means of moving or performing sound mitigation to their homes. In addition, the F-35s would have detrimental environmental impacts on our community which would disproportionately effect low-income people and minorities. I urge you to use the funds that would go to F-35s to promote social health and well-being instead, including addressing the public health crisis we find ourselves in at this time.

Thank you.

Stephanie Speicher
Registered Nurse
Madison, WI

Veldran, Lisa

From: Irene Golembiewski <iwgolemb@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 4:02 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support Resolution Response to EIS for F-35

Alders,

Please support the the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown.

I feel the placement of F-35's is not beneficial to the greater Madison area and the resolution clearer states all the reasons why. Over 30,000 people nationwide have signed a petition to cancel the F-35 program due to concerns about safety, environmental damage, health effects, cost, effectiveness and disruption of communities.

As a member of the Madison community, I feel the risk and potential long term detrimental impact is not worth any possible economic advantage.

Sincerely,

Irene Golembiewski
449 Toepfer Ave.
Madison, WI 53711

Veldran, Lisa

From: Gregory Gelembiuk <gwgeleb@wisc.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 4:10 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: In opposition to F-35 Beddown in Madison

Dear Alders,

I am writing to request that you vote in support of the resolution on tonight's agenda opposing the selection of Truax Field as a preferred location for the 5th Operational Beddown.

In September, you passed a resolution stating "BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Madison Common Council requests that the Air National Guard reconsiders the selection of Truax Field as a preferred location until and unless the findings of the EIS are shown to misrepresent the significant environmental impacts to those living, working, and visiting the north and east sides of Madison."

In the final EIS, not much has changed - the impacts are all still there. And I believe some of the impacts - including noise from afterburner use - will be worse than anticipated in the EIS.

I ask that you keep your promise. Please pass agenda item 77.

Thank you,

Gregory Gelembiuk

Veldran, Lisa

From: me.johnston@sbcglobal.net
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 4:16 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: [All Alders] Resolution re: F-35 Beddown

Recipient: All Alders

Name: Mary Johnston
Address: 1708 Fremont Ave, Madison, WI 53704
Phone: 608-244-1746
Email: me.johnston@sbcglobal.net

Would you like us to contact you? No, do not contact me

Message:

I strongly agree with any resolution that opposes the Air Force choosing Truax Field as an F-35 Beddown site. The EIS states there will be significant unacceptable negative environmental effects and I believe the community would be harmed gravely by the noise and disruption of community life that would result. These planes should be stationed elsewhere. Thank you.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Daniel Lippitt <dhlippitt@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 4:16 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support F-35 resolution

Dear Alders,
Please oppose the bed-down of the F-35s in Madison. You know why.
Please vote for the resolution as written.
Thank You for your service to our community.
Dan Lippitt

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Daniel Lippitt
1516 Lynchburg Trl.
Madison, WI 53718-8228
608-226-0427 phone/fax

From: Ruth Ellickson <ruth.ellickson@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 4:17 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35's at Volk Field

Alders,

Could someone with knowledge and history of seeking a home for F-35s in our state.

I do not understand why wise people would want jets of this size and capacities screaming over and through this dense metro area (Madison and its sprawl).

Please share why/not the Camp Douglas/Volk Field has not been seriously considered.

With a rural area not yet experiencing sprawl, having had successful trainings for F-35s, and having required runway lengths, why is Volk Field not ever mentioned, to my knowledge, as a potential site for the pilots, staff, and their jets? <Camp Douglas could easily build a Starbucks.> Yes, I am very opposed to these/any/all war planes. It would be wise for city leaders to share this information with state residents.

Why not Volk Field?

Ruth Ellickson
3803 Monona Drive

From: Jeanne Kaether <jeanne.kaether@icloud.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 4:24 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Resolution

I am grateful for the passage of Resolution 19-00588. Thank you to our city alders for protecting those residing in the neighborhoods that would have been impacted. You have spoken for a community whose voice was not being heard. This was never about patriotism, a trumped up facade for an initiative that would have driven scores of people from their homes. I am hopeful that your opposition will result in a plan that takes the F-35 presence to a community that welcomes it AND can accommodate it without destroying neighborhoods.

Again, thank you.
Jeanne Kaether
3502 Dennett Dr.
Madison, WI 53714

Veldran, Lisa

From: margamini@tds.net
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 4:27 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: Heck, Patrick
Subject: Agenda item 77: Vote Yes

Dear Alders,

First, I appreciate everyone's perseverance in continuing to fulfill your responsibilities during this public health crisis.

As you will inevitably vote in favor of the resolution honoring the 50th anniversary of Earth Day, I hope your actions on Item 77, requesting Truax be removed from the list of bases being considered for the placement of F-35s, will give meaning to your ceremonial words.

Sincerely,
Margaret Bergamini
454 N Few St
Madison, WI 53703

Veldran, Lisa

From: Anne Seeber <anneseeber@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 4:30 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: OPPOSITION to F-35's

Hi City Alders,

I'm writing this email to voice my OPPOSITION on the possible F-35 jets arriving to Madison Truax.

I live in the Eken Park Neighborhood for the last 5 years and am very concerned that the F-35 jets even have a chance coming to Madison. You all probably know the deal: 4x noise pollution, PFAS in our drinking water, proportionally affecting Black/Brown and poor communities.

BUT, also, it's a bad move RIGHT NOW. Think of all that money the Federal Government can use on COVID-19 relief in hospitals and to us working folks than the military.

ALSO, you are discussing and planning the development of the old Oscar Mayer plant... sounds amazing, great ideas... and yet, F-35 jets are really going to place a damper on all that development, all that new innovation and growth.

Please think of WHO is affected by this - working class people, the environment, our children - and ask yourselves on what side of history are you going to vote.... because we are watching and taking notes.

Thanks for your time,
Anne Seeber
545 North St.

From: Skye Clark <skyecpotato@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 4:31 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s

Dear Alders of the City of Madison,

I may have copied this statement from my sister but I fully stand by everything she's said. I don't have much time these days as I work in the health care profession.

I am writing in support of the resolution opposing the bed down of F-35s at Truax field in Madison.

The final EIS is clear, the impact to our community would be deeply harmful. No amount of money is worth this sacrifice. In light of the current COVID-19 crisis, it is even more clear that our priorities must shift. Please fight to keep our city healthy and safe.

Anything but a strong opposition is an invitation. Do not let this happen!

Thank you,

Brenna "Skye" Clark, 53704 resident

Veldran, Lisa

From: Linda Hall <lhall23@att.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 4:34 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support Item 77 to Oppose F-35s in Madison

Dear Alders,

i urge your vote for in support of Item 77. Your opposition to the siting of F 35s is critical.

I am concerned about the noise, WATER, ground and air pollution they will cause and that they will bring nuclear weapons to Madison only a few miles from my home.

Sincerely,

Linda Hall

1834 Rutledge 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Joanne Kirkland <jokirklandclark@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 4:36 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: No F-35s in Madison

Dear Alders of the City of Madison,

I am writing in support of the resolution opposing the bed down of F-35s at Truax field in Madison.

The final EIS is clear, the impact to our community would be deeply harmful. No amount of money is worth this sacrifice. In light of the current COVID-19 crisis, it is even more clear that our priorities must shift. Please fight to keep our city healthy and safe.

Anything but a strong opposition is an invitation. Do not let this happen!

Thank you,

Joanne Kirkland

Southside resident of Madison

Alder Sheri Carter's district

Sent from my iPhone

From: Jen Ahlstrom <jen.ahlstrom@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 4:41 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: No to F-35s

I am writing to ask for your support of the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

The increased noise of these planes is too much to take, given it adds to the noise of the other flights (commercial & fed ex) which generally fly the flight path above my house (I live directly beneath precision approach runway #36, where planes are on average 800'-1,000' at this point in the flight path) and I have 40 flights a day overhead from 5am- 11pm, with an averaged measured DB of 81.1 per flight.

Kipp, directly across the street, measures 78 DB when having fan issues. Normally the constant noise from the factory sits at ~40DB.

The current Military planes are far worse than the commercial planes. The F-35s, known to be louder than the F-16s would only compound the issue in my neighborhood.

1. When one F-16 plane takes off or lands, if a person is outside or inside his home, conversation usually comes to a stop. Many of these planes drown out the conversation unlike commercial flights which only stop conversation if outside.
2. It is never known if only one or two, or four or six are going to be taking off or landing.
3. The pilots space themselves out to try to reduce the noise but each plane is noisy and under some conditions the planes are very noisy.

When landing many of the F16 make much noise flying overhead and then when you think the sound is going to die out because they are disappearing, there is a loud rolling boom.

4. No matter how the pilots take off or land there is great noise and the wave of the booms can be felt on the body if you are outside.
5. These planes fly early in the morning, during the day and during the evening/overnights beyond the hours of commercial flights (ie - 2am night training exercises).

We need the resources of our air national guard to help protect our community with medical support and missions that protect our public health and safety. Bedding down the F-35s in Madison is not only a proven, colossal waste of money, which does not add anything to our security or economic development as a city, but it will serve to further more environmental contamination, noise pollution, economic injustice and disparities, and it will severely damage the hearing, learning capacity, and mental health of our children, our vulnerable community members, and our elders.

PLEASE keep Madison one of the best cities to live in in our country. We are counting on your voice to say NO to the F-35s.

If the F-35s *MUST* be based in Madison or cannot be stopped, I then ask that they be limited to exclusively using the under utilized runway #3 (currently used for small/quiet hobby planes as a visual approach runway flying over non-economically depressed parts of Madison), so as to not add to the existing noise burden of those living under commercial heavy precision runways.

Sincerely,
Jen Ahlstrom

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Jen L. Ahlstrom
jen.ahlstrom@gmail.com
608.770.1025

From: kevin clark <kevinjoclark@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 4:42 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Oppose F-35s at Truax!

Dear Alders of the City of Madison,

I am writing in support of the resolution opposing the basing of F-35s at Truax field in Madison.

The final EIS is clear, the impact to our community would be deeply harmful. No amount of money is worth this sacrifice. In light of the current COVID-19 crisis, it is even more clear that our priorities must shift. Please fight to keep our city healthy and safe. Anything but a strong opposition is an invitation. Do not let this happen!

Thank you,

Kevin Clark,

Resident of South Madison

53713

Veldran, Lisa

From: carolyn gantner <carolyngantner6@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 5:03 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please Support the Resolution opposing the beddown of F-35s at Truax Field in Madison

Dear Madison Alders,

Please vote in favor of the Common Council resolution being considered this evening: "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

The negative effects of having the F-35s at Truax will create undue hardships for so many of our citizens , especially those of vulnerable populations. Those impacts , among other things, would absolutely violate the human rights of every single adult and child living, going to school, or working in the impacted area.

Considering the magnitude of healing and recovery that our city will be faced with in post-pandemic Madison, how can we possibly fathom having the F-35s here with the additional suffering that will be incurred by their unwelcome presence. In addition, the money of these weapons of death, and their operation, needs to instead be used in this country for the pandemic crisis we are dealing with - consider all that money that will be needed for medical care, field hospitals, ventilators, testing kits, vaccines, and so on.

I greatly appreciate our local National Guard but we are going to need them more than ever before - not for the F-35s , but for helping our community rebuild in the long road ahead of us in rebuilding from the impact of COVID-19.

Thank you for reading this and for all that you are doing for this city which I love.

Please vote in favor of the Resolution that opposes the F-35s.

Sincerely,
Carolyn Gantner
1526 Golf View Rd.
Madison, Wi 53701



From: carolyn gantner <carolyngantner6@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 5:07 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Re: Please Support the Resolution opposing the beddown of F-35s at Truax Field in Madison - corrected version

typo - corrected version - thank you

On Mar 31, 2020, at 5:02 PM, carolyn gantner <carolyngantner6@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Madison Alders,

Please vote in favor of the Common Council resolution being considered this evening: "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

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Please vote in favor of the Resolution that opposes the F-35s.

Sincerely,
Carolyn Gantner
1526 Golf View Rd.
Madison, Wi 53701

Veldran, Lisa

From: Erin Crawley <ec77147@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 5:22 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: No F-35

Please support the Resolution opposing F-35s. I can't imagine agreeing to having these flying over densely populated neighborhoods like those in Madison! There is no good reason to base these at Truax due to the harmful effects of that particular aircraft, both in terms of harmful health and environmental effects. In no way is the resolution against the F-35s specifically meant to be read as opposition to the Air National Guard or the 115th Fighter Wing. To say that it is such a broad opposition is to brush under the rug the very real negative impact to Madison neighborhoods. I live at 2218 Center Ave and the noise from F-16s is often so loud that we can't talk while they are flying overhead. I can't imagine having something even more powerful like the F-35s flying over.

Erin Crawley and Mark Plane
2218 Center Ave
Madison, WI 53704

Thank you,

Erin and Mark



From: Touyeng Xiong <touyeng_xiong@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 5:28 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: Maria Powell (MEJO); jimpowell@mejo.us; Ida J
Subject: Re: Please support CC resolution on F-35 Final EIS

Dear Alders,

As a resident of the Truax neighborhood, I can attest to the loudness of the current F-16s and the effects it has on my family and neighbors. I can only imagine—and hope to keep it that way, the magnified negative effects F-35s will have on my community and others that are/will be affected.

I urge you to support the Final EIJ resolution tonight.

Touyeng Xiong

On Mar 31, 2020, at 7:53 AM, Maria Powell (MEJO) <mariapowell@mejo.us> wrote:

Hello alders:

Please support the Common Council's resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

Since January 2018, I have written about the social, health, and environmental justice impacts of basing F-35s at Madison's Truax Field, and outlined questions about their significant health and environmental effects that have not been addressed in the Environmental Impact Statements. I posted links to most of these below my name.

In September 2019, I went door-to-door for three days in the Truax apartments and Oak Terrace trailer park to talk to people about the F-35s. **Out of the approximately 100 people I talked with-- all low income people, the majority people of color--85 said they oppose the F35s and signed in support of the common council resolution opposing them (under consideration then)**

People in these neighborhoods know how loud the F-16s are there now and how this affects their lives. They do not want louder and more dangerous planes operating near their homes and traumatizing their families. One Truax resident I talked to then, who couldn't attend the council meeting, wanted to tell you all how these planes affect her: <https://mejo.us/truax-apartment-residents-on-f-35s/>.

If you truly care about reducing the significant social, economic, environmental and health disparities in our community--in line with Madison's racial equity and social justice policies--you will strongly support the Final EIS resolution before you tonight.

Thank you,

Maria Powell

-Jan. 15, 2018: **F-35 Fighter jets in Madison; What would Martin Luther King Jr. say?**
-Feb. 28, 2018: **MEJO comments for city alder listening session on F-35s**

- April 6, 2018: MEJO comments on Draft EIS (scoping session)
- Jan. 21, 2019: Are we spiritually dead? What would Martin Luther King Jr. say?
- Nov. 1, 2019: MEJO comments on Draft F-35 EIS
- March 4, 2020: MEJO Executive Director on F-35s and Truax Field
- Feb. 23, 2020: The Final F-35 EIS is a total sham
- March 11, 2020: Superfund will not protect our waterways--or us--from the military's toxic pollution

Maria Powell, PhD
Executive Director, Midwest Environmental Justice Organization
1311 Lake View Ave.
Madison, WI 53704
608-240-1485, mariapowell@mejo.us, mejo.us

Veldran, Lisa

From: Crista Lebens <lebensc@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 5:32 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please vote to Support Resolution 77--F-35 A

My name is Crista Lebens
I live at 2653 E. Johnson St. in Madison.

Posting F35s at Truax will degrade the quality of life for my neighbors and myself. I do not write in opposition to the Air Guard *per se*, but to these airplanes. Please stand opposed to basing them here. Thank you.

/Crista Lebens



From: Brian Lavendel <blavendel@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 5:39 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposing F-35s at Truax

I apologize for sending this email at the last minute. As I am sure you can understand, my time has been very taken up by dealing with the pandemic and trying to support various individuals and communities in the Madison area and beyond.

But I didn't want to let the opportunity pass to urge you to support the resolution opposing F-35 beddown at Truax.

I am a nearly life-long Madison resident and although I grew up on the west side, I now live on the east side of town. I think we should oppose the F-35s for several reasons.

--In this time of health and welfare needs of our citizens, the waste of economic resources on the boondoggle that is the F-35 is even more apparent. We need to support our citizens who are lacking basic needs and services--food, medical care, housing. Not be devoting more resources to the military.

--Speaking locally, it is not acting with integrity or justice to allow this beddown when it will severely impact our communities that are already heavily hit by economic and educational disparities. It goes against the idea of racial and economic justice.

--It will further diminish the quality of life (and sound, air and water quality) in exchange for dubious economic gains that will not be widely shared.

--My understanding is that the F-35 itself is not a defensive plane, but one that is designed to carry out offensive strikes, including of course nuclear strikes. Does our community really want to support and house such a military mission?

I urge you to oppose the beddown of F-35s at Truax Field.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours,
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From: Pamela Culviner <pculviner@ameritech.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 6:00 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35's in Madison

Please support Agenda Item 77 the resolution opposing F35's in Madison due to the significant adverse environmental effects they would have on populations living near the airport, the intensification of air pollution and noise pollution that we are aware of even with the F-16's, as well as the very worrisome effects of building on an area already contaminated with PFOAs that would intensify pollution of Madison's water system.

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From: Susan Nossal <smnossal@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 6:20 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: Susan Nossal
Subject: Please support the resolution opposing: F-35 Fighter jets

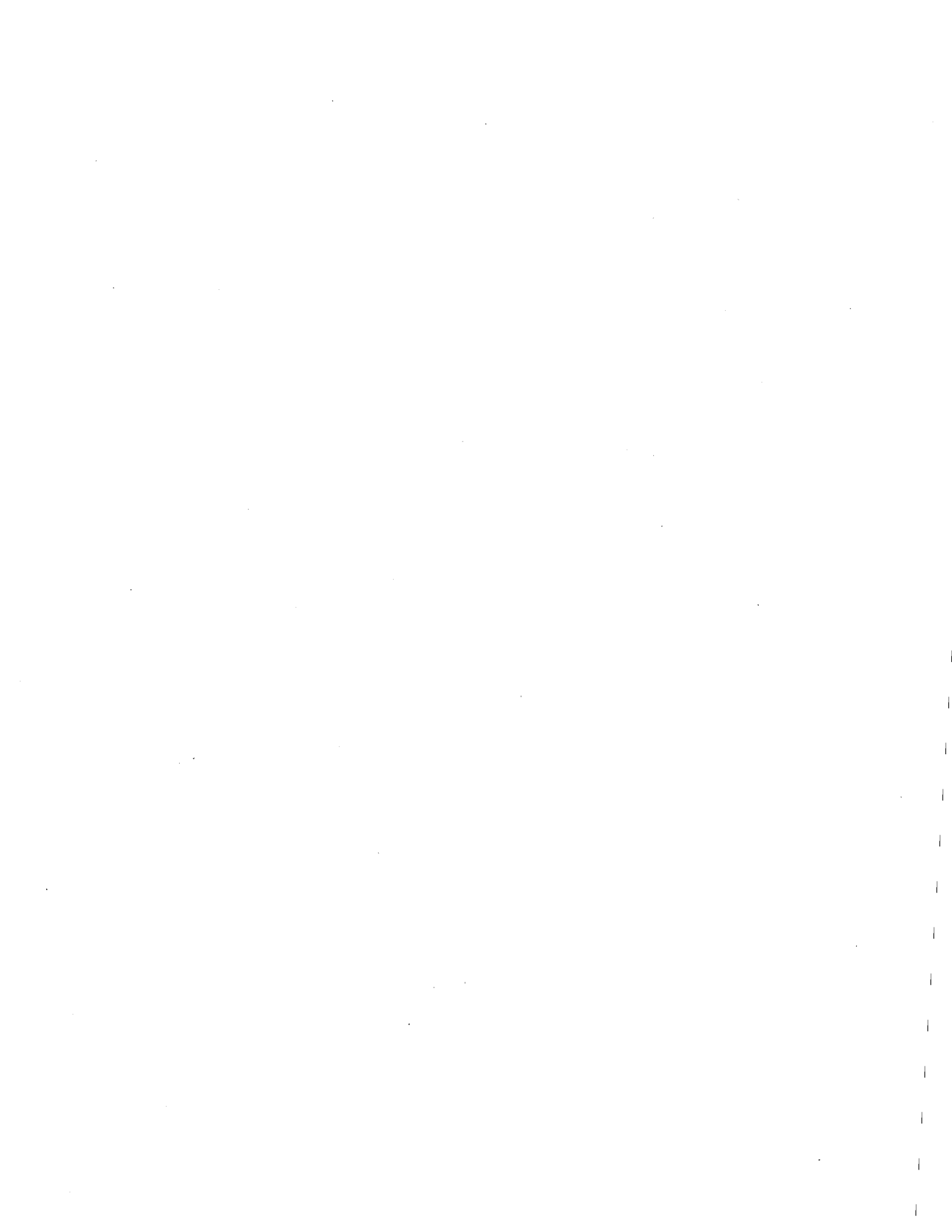
Dear Common Council members,

Please support the resolution "Responding to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35 Operational Beddown." I am greatly concerned about the harmful health and environmental effects of the F-35 operations and the disproportionate impacts to lower income communities.

Thank you for your consideration. I hope that you are staying healthy and are doing as well as possible under the circumstances.

Take care,
Best wishes,
Susan Nossal

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From: Devin Martin <devin.gene.martin@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 6:28 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please vote FOR a resolution AGAINST F-35s in Madison

Dear Alders,

I will keep this short. Please keep our community free of these dangerous war machines. Please send a message to the military that the majority of our community does not want them here. Please consider the schools and vulnerable residents who have little means to remove themselves out of the flight path. Please consider the PFAS pollution that the ANG has so far failed to address, and the potential for future disruption and further pollution into our common water resources. Please consider the signal that this sends to the Pentagon and military contractors--that not every place in America is available as a sacrifice zone for their boondoggles.

Please vote for a resolution to affirm Madison's historic character as a city opposed to mindless devotion to war and violence. Please vote to tell the Air National Guard that F-35s are not right for Madison.

Thank you.

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From: Amy Owen <amyowen@hushmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 9:48 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Requesting support for the F-35 Resolution

Dear City of Madison Alders,

Please vote to support the F-35 resolution on tomorrow's agenda, to protect our community in these even more challenging times. We can invest in many economic options that could create true, equitable economic growth for the residents of this city. An F-35 beddown will not create change that will benefit our residents, property values, health, environment, or economy. Please vote to support this resolution.

Thank you,

Amy Owen

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Steven Klafka <sklafka@wingraengineering.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 01, 2020 12:07 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Klafka Comments on Item 77 - F-35 Fighter Jet Resolution by Common Council - 31march20
Attachments: Klafka Comments on Item 77 - F-35 Fighter Jet Resolution by Common Council - 31march20.pdf

Good evening. Thank you for the opportunity to speak.

My name is Steve Klafka. I'm a long time Madison resident and an environmental engineer for almost 40 years. I hope the common council approves this second resolution and sends the Air Force a clear message that for many good reasons, the F-35 fighter jets do not belong here in Madison.

I've read the draft and final environmental impact statements, and submitted extensive comments to the Air Force. I wasn't alone, since 89% of the 6,400 public comments on the draft EIS were directed at the Truax site. We haven't yet seen all the comments, but I was able to read many of them, and know the final EIS ignored many of our comments and under-estimates the impacts of the proposed jets on our community.

For example, the final EIS continues using the 50-year old noise standard of 65 decibels DNL to evaluate noise impacts. Those of us that live on the east and north sides of Madison are reminded of this shortcoming every day, especially when the current F-16 fighter jets roar over our homes. This outdated standard ignores health and educational impacts on Madison residents, especially those forced to live next to the county airport. Ignoring public comments, the final EIS fails to recognize impacts on the 60,000 people that live within 3 miles of Truax Field. Ignoring comments, the final EIS continues to downplay the Air National Guard's contamination of our groundwater, Starkweather Creek and Lake Monona with PFAS in fire fighting foam, and the exposure of thousands so residents to the PFAS in drinking water and fish. A more accurately written EIS would provide additional reasons to support the proposed referendum.

With the current pandemic on our minds, another notable failure of the final EIS is to present alternative missions for the 115th Fighter Wing at Truax Field. The Air Force web site identifies 44 other missions available to the Air National Guard that would not require F-35 fighter jets in our urban community. It was unfortunate when the Air Force was looking for F-35 sites several years ago we weren't given the opportunity to suggest these alternative missions that would be healthier and safer for Madison. One alternative is a transport mission to deliver food, clothing, bedding and medical supplies to forces and civilian populations. Related to medical supplies, it is worth noting that the \$1.5 billion price tag for an F-35 squadron would pay for approximately 60,000 ventilators. These are sorely needed to stop deaths due to the coronavirus, while these jets are not.

I hope the Common Council stands up for Madison residents, adopt this resolution and send the Air Force a clear message that the F-35 fighter jets do not belong in Madison.

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