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Mr. Paul F. Prouty
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Dear Mr. Prouty:

Enclosed is a copy of correspondence that was sent to the General Services Administration from the Crater Planning District Commission and its chairwoman, Mayor Annie M. Mickens of Petersburg, Virginia. The Crater Commission represents the localities that surround Fort Lee (cities of Colonial Heights, Hopewell and Petersburg and the counties of Chesterfield, Dinwiddie and Prince George) and it is heavily involved in identifying the impacts of the BRAC-related growth at Fort Lee upon the surrounding localities. As you may know, Fort Lee is expected to double in size as a result of the 2005 BRAC round which is set to be complete by September 2011.

Like me, they are concerned about a wide disparity in the federal per diem rates between nearby Richmond, VA and the communities surrounding Fort Lee, Virginia. I would appreciate it if you would give this correspondence your strongest consideration and that you would provide me with any information that may be helpful to my constituents.

Please direct your response and any questions to Jim Aiken in my Washington DC office at (202) 225-6365 / jim.aiken@mail.house.gov. I am grateful for any assistance you may be able to provide in this manner. With kind personal regards I am,

Yours truly,


J. RANDY FORBES
Member of Congress