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	Whereas, the state of Missouri has a long history of supporting the military in their
2 3	mission to protect the American people; and
4	Whereas, Whiteman Air Force Base has a long history of being at the forefront of
5 6	national defense; and
7	Whereas, the United States Air Force is establishing a new major command
8 9	responsible for all Air Force nuclear operations, and this Global Strike Command will bring the Air Force's B-52 and B-2 bombers and intercontinental ballistic missiles under one
10 11	command; and
12	Whereas, the United States Air Force is in the process of selecting the location of
13 14	the permanent headquarters for Global Strike Command; and
15	Whereas, Whiteman Air Force Base is one of six bases where Air Force officials
16 17	are considering stationing the permanent headquarters of Global Strike Command; and
18	\mathbf{W} hereas, Whiteman Air Force Base is one of the most important joint military
19 20 21	installations in the United States and has the distinction of being the only Air Force Base in the United States to have three separate Wings located on such installation; and
22	Whereas, one of the Wings is the 509th Bomb Wing, which is the only Air Force
23 24	Wing to operate and maintain the Air Force's premier weapon system, the B-2 Bomber, a multi- role bomber capable of delivering both conventional and nuclear munitions; and
2 4 25	The bomber capable of derivering both conventional and nuclear munitions, and

Whereas, state and local organizations, including the Missouri Military Preparedness and Enhancement Commission, the Warrensburg City Council, the Knob Noster City Council, the Whiteman Area Leadership Council, the Whiteman Air Force Base Community Council, the Military Affairs Committee of the Warrensburg Chamber of Commerce, the Knob Noster Chamber of Commerce, the Daily Star-Journal, the Missouri Department of Economic Development, and the Governor of the State of Missouri, all support the choice of Whiteman Air Force Base as the permanent headquarters for Global Strike Command:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fifth General Assembly, First Regular Session, the Senate concurring therein, hereby strongly support the choice of Whiteman Air Force Base as the permanent headquarters of the Air Force's Global Strike Command and urge the United States Air Force to select Whiteman Air Force Base as the headquarters of the new Global Strike Command; and

39 **Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of 40 Representatives be instructed to prepare properly inscribed copies of this resolution for the 41 Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of the Air Force, and each member of Missouri's

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42 Congressional delegation.