**RESOLUT ION NO. 2014-5.\_\_\_**

**OF THE GOVERNING BODY**

**OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMINGDALE**

Whereas, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, Picatinny Arsenal, Naval Weapons Station Earle, the 177th Air National Guard Wing in Atlantic City, the Cape May Coast Guard Training Center are major federal assets in the state of New Jersey; and

Whereas, the Rutgers Economic Advisory Service, R/ECON™ recently conducted a study which measured and modeled the economic contribution to the state’s economy of our military installations; and

Whereas, the Rutgers Economic Advisory Service determined that, in net, the federal government spent nearly $4.8 billion within the state, which generates over 45,600 jobs that pay about $2.6 billion and add about $3.8 billion of wealth to state residents; and

Whereas, the $4.8 billion in annual federal spending results in $9.6 billion in net business revenues; and

Whereas, of this total, $6.5 billion is net wealth was added in the form of Gross Domestic Product by the State; and

Whereas, of this GDP total, over $4.0 billion is in the form of labor income that supports an estimated 73,234 jobs, a number greater than the combined employment of the State’s communications and chemical industries; and

Whereas, all New Jersey military installations make significant individual and collective contributions to the capabilities of our Armed Forces and our national security; and

Whereas, maintaining and expanding this military core is nearly as critical for its

continued economic welfare as it is to the State’s homeland security missions; and

Whereas, in an era of Federal fiscal austerity, policy-makers in our Nation’s Capital will be asked to consider proposals to reduce defense spending and the size of our uniformed services;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Governor and the State Senate and Assembly should take immediate steps to protect these valuable military assets, in recognition of their vital importance to our Nation’s and our State’s security; and

Be it further resolved that the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomingale joins with the New Jersey League of Municipalities in calling on our State leaders to work in concert to promote the preservation, growth and development of our New Jersey military facilities.

## Record of Council Vote on Passage

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| Councilman | aye | nay | Abstain | Absent | Councilman | aye | nay | Abstain | Absent |
| Sondermeyer |  |  |  |  | Dellaripa |  |  |  |  |
| D’Amato |  |  |  |  | Costa |  |  |  |  |
| Hudson |  |  |  |  | Yazdi |  |  |  |  |

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the

Borough of Bloomingdale at an Official Meeting held on Tuesday, May 20, 2014.

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Jane McCarthy, R.M.C.

Municipal Clerk, Borough of Bloomingdale