the Netherlands, established the Royal Netherlands Military Flying School at Hawkins Field.

The Civil Air Patrol in Jackson attempted to gather funds and support for the restoration of this historic building; however, they have not found success, as the airport authority that owns the terminal has continued to let the building deteriorate. However, there is hope for the terminal as the building is a Mississippi Landmark, helping to protect it from demolition, and a Save America's Treasure's grant of $350,000 was approved in 2009 to stabilize the building.

Mississippi Industrial College
Holly Springs, Mississippi

The search is still on for ideas on redevelopment of the structures that were built as part of the college founded for African Americans in 1905. At the request of the owners of the property at the time, the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, the complex was designated a Mississippi Landmark by the Mississippi Department of Archives and History in 2002.

The complex of buildings was then sold to Holly Springs-based Rust College which is located across the street from the Industrial College. Without funds to maintain or restore the buildings, many have fallen prey to deterioration and a storm several years ago caused the roof of one building to completely collapse, and now some walls of the same building have collapsed. Rust College has been working for several years to try and get federal funding for the buildings; however they have not been successful.

Saved

Moore Fire Tower
Forest, Mississippi

The Mississippi Forestry Service has allocated funds to repair and replace many of the damaged steps, fix the twisted and rusted beams, and replace the roof. Some cosmetic repairs still need to be made to the interior of the structure, but at present it is structurally sound. The tower will not be opened to tours, but visits to the tower may be incorporated with other tours so that interested visitors are able to at least see the structure.

Rippy Road and Turkey Creek
North Gulfport, Mississippi

The Turkey Creek community has experienced mixed success, setbacks, and unexpected challenges. Turkey Creek is significant as it was developed as a post-Civil War African American community and in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, it grew to become a thriving community as numerous African Americans came to the Coast in search of work.

In addition to an individual listing for the Benton House, the Turkey Creek community was listed on the National Register of Historic Places as a historic district in 2009. Nevertheless, escalating threats of urban sprawl, de-forestation and environmental problems continually must be faced. A tightening band of transportation and commercial development, and the proximity to active and inactive chemical plants pose additional obstacles to community survival. However, hopes have been lifted by support from historic preservationists and environmental justice advocates who learned of the plight of the area largely through MHT's timely concern and publicity.

During Hurricane Katrina, Turkey Creek suffered severe flooding and high winds which damaged many of the houses. After the storm volunteer groups assisted with repairs and the National Trust for Historic Preservation donated money to help with recovery of the neighborhood. Eight houses within the Turkey Creek Historic District, including the home of the community's founder, Melinda Benton, were awarded grants through the Hurricane Relief Grant Program for Historic Preservation, administered by the Mississippi Department of Archives and History. As the restoration of these

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Mississippi 10 Most endangered Historic Places
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TO: *Mississippi Landmark* Applicants

From: Hal Bell, Review and Compliance Assistant

Subject: ***Mississippi Landmark* Designation**

Thank you for your inquiry regarding the designation of a historic property as a *Mississippi Landmark*. Attached is a flier that briefly explains the *Mississippi Landmark* program and answers frequently asked questions about the state's Antiquities Law, which governs the *Mississippi Landmark* program.

We trust that it is clearly understood that this designation, which is being made at the request of the owner, entails a long-term commitment on the part of the owner to the preservation of this historic property. Once a property is made a *Mississippi Landmark*, the Department of Archives and History will only consider rescinding the designation under extraordinary circumstances

To assist the Department in expediting the evaluation process, please complete the enclosed "Mississippi Landmark Eligibility Assessment Questionnaire" and return it to the Historic Preservation Division along with the following materials:

1) Photographs. For buildings, please submit at least two photographs of the exterior that provide a good overall view of the structure and at least two photos of the interior that illustrate the primary rooms and any significant details, such as stairways, mantels, and/or artwork.

2) Map. Please include a copy of a city, county, or USGS map with the location of the historic property clearly indicated. The map should be sufficiently detailed to easily locate the property.

3) Resolution. To speed the designation process by avoiding time-consuming legal notifications and public notices if the property is determined eligible for landmark designation, please complete the appropriate version of the enclosed "Resolution for *Mississippi Landmark* Designation." Historic properties belonging to the state, counties, municipalities, school districts, and other political subdivisions should use the "Resolution for *Mississippi Landmark* Designation of Publicly Owned Property," which must be signed by the chief elected official or agency head of the governing body. Properties belonging to private nonprofit organizations should use the "Resolution for *Mississippi Landmark* Designation of Privately Owned Property," which must be signed by the chief officer or legal representative of the organization. The resolution must be notarized.

4) Legal description. The precise legal description of the historic property for which *Mississippi Landmark* designation is sought must be attached to the completed resolution as "Exhibit A." This should be the property description as recorded in the county deed records.

The Permit Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Department of Archives and History meets on the second Thursday of each month to handle matters related to the *Mississippi Landmark* program. In order for a request for *Mississippi Landmark* designation to be processed, a complete packet of the above listed items should be received by the Department at least one week prior to the meeting. Submission of incomplete or inaccurate information in the packet will delay the processing of the *Mississippi Landmark* evaluation/designation.

Again, thank you for your interest in the Mississippi Landmark program. If you have additional questions, please feel free to contact me at the above address or phone number.

Enclosures

There came for consideration of the Mayor and Members of the Council of the City of Gautier, Mississippi the following:

RESOLUTION NUMBER 017-2014

RESOLUTION REQUESTING DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO RECOGNIZE NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY VALUE OF KEESLER AIR FORCE BASE AND ITSC-130 TACTICAL AIRLIFT MISSION AND TO PRESERVE AND RETAIN MISSION KEESLER DURING CURRENT FISCAL RE-ORGANIZATION

WHEREAS, Keesler Air Force Base plays an essential role in the defense and security of our nation through its numerous technical and operational training programs, including its C-130 Tactical Airlift Mission;

WHEREAS, it has been noted that the Department of Defense is in the process of reorganizing its military missions and may be looking at the C-130 Tactical Airlift Mission at Keesler Air Force Base; and

WHEREAS, for many years Keesler Air Force Base has been the leading center in the nation for the training of personnel for technical, tactical, and operational purposes, and continues to assist the nation in the defense of its national security both at home and abroad through cyber-training programs, its C-130 Tactical Airlift Mission, other flight mission programs, and logistical and operational training programs; and

WHEREAS, the C-130 Tactical Airlift Mission is strategically located at Keesler because of its proximity to other related training and operational programs at Keesler, and should be recognized as an important and integral part of the overall defense contribution of Keesler Air Force Base; and

WHEREAS, Keesler Air Force Base is a vital part of the economic fabric of the Mississippi Gulf Coast and its personnel have become an essential partner in our local community, but more importantly, it's missions such as the C-130 Tactical Airlift Mission have become a cornerstone of the national defense and security structure that protects and defends our nation; and

WHEREAS, as recognition of the importance and quality of the missions and personnel located there Keesler Air Force Base was awarded the 2013 Air Force Installation Excellence Award; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of our nation to protect and preserve both the missions and personnel located and stationed at this outstanding Air Force Base during this current round of re-organization by the Department of Defense by retaining the C-130 Tactical Airlift Mission at Keesler Air Force Base;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAUTIER, MISSISSIPPI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE. The United States Department of Defense is hereby requested and urged to preserve and retain the C-130 Tactical Airlift Mission and personnel at Keesler Air Force because of their critical and essential role in the security and defense of our nation, and, if programs and personnel within the Defense Department structure must be relocated or re-aligned, those programs and personnel should be transferred to rather than from Keesler Air Force Base, which is currently recognized by the Air Force itself with its award for the highest quality facility and operation.

SECTION TWO. The City Clerk is hereby directed to send certified copies of this resolution to the members of the Mississippi Congressional Delegation, thereby requesting them to represent the best interest of both the nation and the people of Mississippi by urging the Department of Defense to preserve and retain the C-130 Tactic I Airlift Mission and personnel at Keesler Air Force Base.

Motion made by **Councilwoman Martin**, seconded by **Councilman Vaughan** and the following vote was recorded:

AYES: Gordon Gollott
Mary Martin
Johnny Jones
Hurley Ray Guillotte
Casey Vaughan
Rusty Anderson
Adam Colledge

NAYS: None

MAYOR

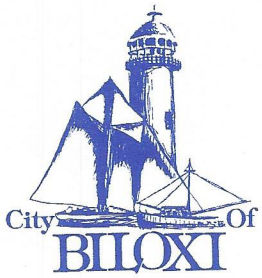
ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

Passed and Adopted by Mayor and Members of the Council of the City of Gautier, Mississippi, at the meeting of June 3, 2014.

Mayor
A.J. Holloway

Council Members
George Lawrence, Ward 1
Felix Gines, Ward 2
Dixie Newman, Ward 3
Robert L. Deming III, Ward 4
Paul A. Tisdale, Ward 5
Kenny Glavan, Ward 6
David Fayard, Ward 7



P.O. Box 429
Biloxi, Mississippi 39533

May 28, 2014

The Honorable Gordon Gollott
Mayor, City of Gautier
3330 Highway 90
Gautier, MS 39553

SUBJECT: Preservation of C-130 Tactical Airlift Mission for Keesler Air Force Base

Dear Mayor Gollott,

Attached is Resolution Number 229-14, which requests the Department of Defense to recognize the National Defense and Security value of Keesler Air Force Base and its C-130 Tactical Airlift Mission and to preserve and retain that mission at Keesler Air Force Base during the current fiscal re-organization.

It is the desire of the City of Biloxi Mayor and City Council that the City of Gautier, as well as the other Coastal cities, join in and adopt a similar resolution.

Thank you, in advance, for your support as we strive to retain the current mission of Keesler Air Force Base and its contributions to our Mississippi Gulf Coast as a whole!

Sincerely yours,

Kenny Glavan
Vice President
Biloxi City Council

KG/spr
Attachment

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

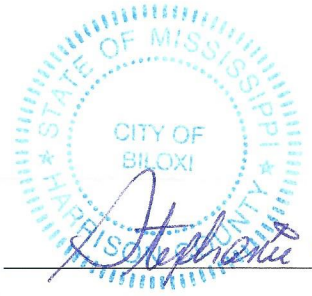
COUNTY OF HARRISON

CITY OF BILOXI

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, Stephanie P. Rosetti, Assistant Deputy Clerk of the Council, of the City of Biloxi, Mississippi, do hereby certify that the attached Resolution Number 229-14 is a true copy of the original Resolution, which will be placed on the record of the Council Minutes of the City of Biloxi, Mississippi, of a duly held meeting on the 6th day of May, 2014, and that the original Resolution appears on record in the Clerk of the Council's Office from which this copy is taken and compared.

DONE this the 28th day of May, 2014.



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SECTION TWO. The Clerk of Council is hereby directed to send certified copies of this resolution to the members of the Mississippi Congressional Delegation, thereby requesting them to represent the best interest of both the nation and the people of Mississippi by urging the Department of Defense to preserve and retain the C-130 Tactical Airlift Mission and personnel at Keesler Air Force Base.

Res. No. 229-14

The foregoing Resolution having first been reduced to writing, was read by the Clerk and moved by Councilmember Fayard, seconded by Councilmember Newman, and was adopted by the following vote:

YEAS:	Lawrence	Tisdale	NAYS:	None
	Gines	Glavan		
	Newman	Fayard		
	Deming			

The President then declared the Resolution adopted this the 6th day of May, 2014.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI ★ HARRISON COUNTY ★ CITY OF BILOXI

ATTEST: APPROVED:

Kelli Campbell — Paul L. Tisdale

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE COUNCIL — PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Submitted to and approved by the Mayor, this the 8 day of May, 2014.

APPROVED:

RJ Holloway

MAYOR

Motion made by Councilwoman Martin to recess the meeting until June 17, 2014 at 6:30 P.M. Motion seconded by Councilman Vaughan and unanimously carried.

APPROVED BY:

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

Submitted for approval by the Mayor and Members of the Council of the City of Gautier, Mississippi at the meeting of June 17, 2014.