

**CITY OF ST. ANTHONY
RESOLUTION NO. 2010-3**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ST. ANTHONY, FREMONT COUNTY, IDAHO, TO THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE, AND TO THE CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION REPRESENTING THE STATE OF IDAHO IN THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Air Force has had a presence in Idaho for more than 56 years, with numerous facilities, including Mountain Home Air Force Base and Boise's Gowen Field; and,

WHEREAS, the Secretary of the Air Force approved Joint Strike Fighter Basing Criteria for both training and for operational bases for the new F-35 Mission; and,

WHEREAS, Mountain Home Air Force Base was selected as a finalist as an operational base and Boise's Gowen Field was elected as a finalist as a training base; and,

WHEREAS, Southern Idaho's climate is well-suited to these missions, with more than 321 flyable days per year, a key selection criteria; and,

WHEREAS, Idaho's facilities provide ample and unhindered training airspace close to installations, which enables more training time and less fuel consumed; and,

WHEREAS, Idaho's Facilities are unencumbered by the encroachment of civilian land use, which lowers the environmental impact on surrounding communities; and,

WHEREAS, Idaho facilities have the capacity to support at least three squadrons each, including runway space, ramp space, personnel housing, and maintenance and hangar bays necessary to accommodate these new missions; and,

WHEREAS, St. Anthony is a patriotic community, and supports members of community in the military, and would welcome the new F-35 Mission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of St. Anthony, Idaho that we urge the U.S. Air Force to select Idaho for its F-35 Missions.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ST. ANTHONY, IDAHO, ON THIS 11TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 20 10.

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ST. ANTHONY, IDAHO ON THIS 11TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2010.


Neils Thueson, Mayor

ATTEST:


Patty Unruh Parkinson, City Clerk

