



**Written Testimony Provided by
Mr. Jeff Hoagland, President and CEO, Dayton Development Coalition
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Chair Roegner, Vice-Chair Gavarone, Ranking Member Blackshear, and members of the Senate General Government Committee, thank you for the opportunity to present written proponent testimony on Senate Resolution 68, supporting the relocation of NASA headquarters to Ohio.

The Dayton Development Coalition is a regional economic development organization whose mission is to support job creation and opportunity for the citizens of the Dayton Region. In addition, the Dayton Development Coalition works closely with aerospace and defense partners to promote Wright-Patterson Air Force Base and the Springfield Air National Guard Base.

We commend Senator Roegner for sponsoring this important resolution. Many factors have led Ohio to be a prime candidate for the relocation of NASA headquarters. Our robust aerospace manufacturing industry, quality higher education institutions producing workforce, and the competitive cost-of-living and operational expenses all make Ohio the best place for NASA to continue their mission.

Important for our region is the defense infrastructure built around Wright-Patterson Air Force Base (WPAFB) and the support it provides NASA. WPAFB is home to the National Air & Space Intelligence Center (NASIC) and the National Space Intelligence Center (NSIC), the DoD's primary source for space intelligence. Additionally, the Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL) headquartered at WPAFB is the primary scientific research and development center for the Department of the Air Force, playing an integral role in the discovery, development, and integration of warfighting technologies for our air, space, and cyberspace forces.

Lastly, Cleveland is already home to NASA's Glenn Research Center (GRC), one of NASA's premier facilities. The GRC is a leader in aeronautics and space technology responsible for innovations that will result in further exploration and discovery. Put simply, moving NASA headquarters closer to the GRC will strengthen NASA's mission capabilities and reduce costs to taxpayers.

Thank you for your consideration of Senate Resolution 68 and we urge your support.