



November 14, 2023

The Honorable Governor Jim Pillen  
State Capitol, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor N.E.  
P.O. Box 94848  
Lincoln, NE 68509-4848

Mr. Brandon Metzler  
Clerk of the Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 2018  
P.O. Box 94604  
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Dear Governor Pillen and Mr. Metzler:

On behalf of the State of Nebraska's Commission on Military and Veteran Affairs, please accept this report pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute § 55-606.

In 2023, Nebraska's Commission on Military and Veteran Affairs met twice pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute § 55-603. On June 1, 2023 the Commission voted to contract with the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Bureau of Business Research to summarize and assess the economic impact of military assets in Nebraska pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statutes § 55-605 and § 55-606. For 2023, the Commission put forth five recommendations that have their roots in the 2008 BRAC Task Force Report. These five recommendations serve as the Commission's "recommendations for preserving and sustaining military assets and missions existing in Nebraska" and serve as the Commission's "recommendations for actions which the state can take to encourage expanding such assets and missions" pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute § 55-606. On November 3, 2023 the Commission voted to proceed with proposed changes discussed during the meeting and proceed with the submission of this report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Phillip L. O'Donnell", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Phillip L. O'Donnell  
Military Affairs Liaison  
Commission on Military and Veteran Affairs