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WIDENER ANNOUNCES SAIC TO EXPAND OPERATIONS IN DAYTON REGION AND CREATE NEW JOBS

ADDITION OF MORE THAN 200 NEW JOBS TO AREA

COLUMBUS – State Senator Chris Widener (R-Springfield) and the Dayton Development Coalition (DDC) today announced that the Ohio Tax Credit Authority approved Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC) to expand its operations in Springfield and create new jobs in Beavercreek.

SAIC has conditionally been offered a total \$3.8 million incentive package from the State of Ohio for their expansions in Beavercreek and Springfield. It will include the creation of 215 new full-time jobs and the retention of 11 existing full-time jobs over the next three years, mainly consisting of engineers, scientists, computer programmers and technicians. The move will also increase the amount of work that SAIC subcontracts to business teammates in the Dayton Region.

“It is exciting to see such a well-regarded company expanding within the 10th Senate District,” Widener said. “This job creation expansion project is the fruition of a strong collaborative effort between all parties involved. The Miami Valley is becoming a hub of job growth and expansion within our state, and as SAIC settles they will find, as many others have, that the individuals in the community are hard-working, dedicated and honest.”

SAIC is a FORTUNE 500[®] scientific, engineering and technology applications company that employs approximately 380 people in the Dayton Region to support customers at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base (WPAFB). SAIC plans to occupy multiple facilities consolidating its operations in the area to house an unmanned aerial systems (UAS) integration facility, a new engineering/R&D/data facility and one additional operation.

SAIC analysis showed Springfield as a prime candidate for the UAS fabrication facility due to the proximity of Springfield Air National Guard Base, while the City of Beavercreek was chosen for the R&D/engineering facility and other operations due to the proximity of WPAFB and Wright State University, as well as the access to the Advanced Technical Intelligence Center (ATIC).

“Due to the prolific growth in demand for UAS technology, coupled with the significant research and development operations and training challenges to be addressed, SAIC is consolidating many aspects of its UAS business in the Dayton Region—aligning it with the Air Force’s UAS R&D and testing vision to assist in rapid UAS technology transition to the warfighter,” said Dennis Andersh, SAIC senior vice president and Dayton Regional executive. “We are grateful for the leadership of the DDC that was critical in pulling this project together and turning it into a reality.”

The funds will now await approval from the Ohio Third Frontier Commission and a final approval from the State Controlling Board.

Senator Chris Widener serves the people of the 10th Senate District, which includes Clark, Greene and Madison Counties. He is chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, and a member of the Senate Ways & Means & Economic Development, Government Oversight & Reform, and Rules & Reference committees.

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