

## 5<sup>TH</sup> BOMB WING CHANGE OF COMMAND

### **BROADCASTER:**

COMMANDER OF THE EIGHTH AIR FORCE GENERAL STEVEN WILSON TRANSFERRED COMMAND OF THE FIFTH BOMB WING FROM COLONEL JAMES DAWKINS JUNIOR TO COLONEL ALEXIS MEZYNSKI ON JANUARY 14<sup>TH</sup> AT MINOT AIR FORCE BASE NORTH DAKOTA.

### **BROADCASTER:**

GENERAL WILSON PRESENTED COLONEL DAWKINS WITH THE LEGION OF MERIT AWARD AFTER HE PRAISED HIM FOR EXCELLING DURING HIS TENURE AS COMMANDER OF THE FIFTH BOMB WING

**SB: 00:14**

### **MAJOR GENERAL STEPHEN WILSON**

#### **COMMANDER 8<sup>TH</sup> AIR FORCE**

“YOU’VE BEEN THE TYPE OF LEADER WHO NOT ONLY LEADS BY EXAMPLE, BUT WHO CREATES A CULTURE OF LEADERSHIP THAT SPREADS THROUGHOUT TEAM MINOT’S WARFIGHTERS. THE BAR HAS BEEN SET HIGH BY COLONEL DAWKINS, IT’S BEEN SET, FRANKLY, EXTREMELY HIGH.

-GENERAL WILSON WENT ON TO COMMEND COLONEL DAWKINS EFFORTS DEALING WITH MINOT’S WORST NATURAL DISASTER TO DATE.

**SB: 00:10**

### **MAJOR GENERAL STEPHEN WILSON**

#### **COMMANDER 8<sup>TH</sup> AIR FORCE**

THE 5<sup>TH</sup> BOMB WING LED OUR AIR FORCE IN HELPING MINOT THROUGH SOME TOUGH TIMES, AND NOW MADE THE BOND BETWEEN THE BASE AND THE CITY A MODEL FOR MILITARY INSTALLATIONS WORLDWIDE.

### **BROADCASTER:**

COLONEL MEZYNSKI DIRECTED HIS FINAL COMMENTS OF THE DAY TOWARDS HIS NEW AIRMEN

**SB 00:09**

### **COLONEL ALEXIS MEZYNSKI**

#### **COMMANDER 5<sup>TH</sup> BOMB WING**

WARBIRDS I LOOK FORWARD TO SERVING ALONGSIDE EACH AND EVERYONE OF YOU AND CONTINUING THE TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE YOU HAVE ESTABLISHED, AND LETS GO GET IT DONE.

**BROADCASTER:**

REPORTING FROM MINOT AIR FORCE BASE, I'M AIRMAN FIRST CLASS MICHAEL T CONNORS