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ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME-GULFPORT

Ageless Aviation Dreams Foundation Will Provide WWII Veterans of the Armed Forces Retirement Home the Flight of a Lifetime in Gulfport, MS at Million Air

Gulfport, Miss—(April 20, 2015). AFRH-G WWII Veterans will experience a flight of a lifetime through the Ageless Aviation Dreams Foundation (AADF). The AADF is a non-profit organization established and dedicated to honoring seniors and United States military veterans. Its mission is to "Give Back to Those Who Have Given" so much toward the freedoms we enjoy today. For more information on AADF visit their web site at www.agelessaviationdreams.org.

Ageless Aviation Dreams Foundation President Darryl Fisher restored the Foundation’s airplane, a 1940s Boeing Stearman, with the goal of recognizing Veterans living in retirement communities around the US. Through its many donors, the foundation provides memorable Dream Flights in the Stearman biplane—the same aircraft used to train many US military aviators in the late thirties and early forties. AADF will launch approximately 520 flights across the U.S. this year, up from 84 flights in 2014.

Locally, the Ageless Aviation Dreams Foundation has worked closely with retired Air Force Colonel and General Manager of Million Air Gulfport-Biloxi, Chuck Eastman, to provide Dream Flights to America’s Heroes in Gulfport. On Monday, April 20th, Million Air will proudly host the AADF as they give back to those who have given so much to our nation by honoring eight WWII Veterans from the Armed Forces Retirement Home with a Dream Flight.

Million Air is the world’s premier provider of private aviation services. Million Air Gulfport-Biloxi is a full-service provider of award-winning, upscale FBO services at the Gulfport-Biloxi International Airport. Million Air and the Ageless Aviation Dreams Foundation have worked in concert with AFRH-G to fulfill the dreams of these honored Residents. This is truly a remarkable event made possible only because citizens have volunteered their time to give back to those who sacrificed so much to ensure our freedom.
WHO: Local Media

WHAT: WWII Veterans will experience a flight of a lifetime through the Ageless Aviation Dreams Foundation (AADF) on a 1940s Boeing Stearman.

WHEN: Monday, April 20, 2015

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

WHERE: Million Air
1100 Hangar Street
Gulfport, MS 39501
Phone: (228) 701-0400

HOW: Media planning to attend should contact Becki Zschiedrich at 228-897-4429.

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The new Home is located on 47 acres of prime waterfront land on the Mississippi Sound. It features a multi-tower complex with full amenities such as dining, social, recreational, and therapeutic activities, plus a swimming pool, hobby shops, a wellness center with basic dental and eye care, a bank, a barber and beauty shop, bowling center, movie theater, a computer room, library, and a pedestrian bridge to the beach. Formerly called the “US Naval Home”, this facility merged with the “Soldiers’ Home” in Washington in 1991 – and both were renamed AFRH. Prior to 1976, the Naval Home was located in Philadelphia, PA and from 1833-1899 it was called the “Naval Asylum”. To learn more about AFRH-Gulfport contact Becki L. Zschiedrich, Public Affairs, at 228-897-4429 or Becki.Zschiedrich@afrh.gov.