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Governor McMaster proclaims August 18 – 24, 2019 South Carolina Aviation Week *SC Aviation Association promotes economic and educational impacts of aviation industry*

Columbia, S.C. – Governor Henry McMaster has proclaimed August 18 – 24 South Carolina Aviation Week. South Carolina Aviation Association, in partnership with South Carolina Aeronautics Commission, is celebrating the week with a series of events that highlight the impact aviation has on economic development and educational initiatives.

South Carolina has six commercial service airports, 58 general aviation airports and 5 military airfields. Each of these facilities provide essential support to the state's diversified business base through recreational flying, providing gateways to communities and tourism, accommodating agricultural spraying, supporting air cargo and air freight shipments, helping law enforcement, supporting military operations, providing access in times of emergency and supporting medicine and healthcare.

"In addition to supporting operations, South Carolina's airports are training the next generation of the aviation's workforce," said South Carolina Aviation Association President Greg Jones. "From aviation maintenance technicians training new techs to flight instructors training new pilots, from community relations activities to community programs providing youth with hands-on exposure to the aviation industry, our airports are instrumental in workforce development."

The state's aviation industry supports more than 122,000 jobs with an estimated annual payroll of \$4.8 billion. Annually, at least \$16.3 billion in economic activity can be traced to aviation in South Carolina.

South Carolina Aviation Week is a statewide celebration of the economic and education impact of airports and the aviation industry. Celebrated August 18 – 24, 2019, and centered around National Aviation Day on August 19, Aviation Week is planned in partnership by South Carolina Aviation Association (SCAA) and South Carolina Aeronautics Commission.

SCAA actively promotes and encourages aviation and airport development to meet air transportation needs and assist the state in achieving economic development goals. Its membership is comprised of airports and aviators across South Carolina, as well as aviation industry partners. For more information, please visit scaonline.com

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