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## Gary / Chicago International Airport Begins Preparations for 2023 Gary Airshow City of Gary Airshow Scheduled for First Time Since 2016

**(Gary, IN)** – Today, the Gary / Chicago International Airport (GCIA) announced the return of the "Gary Airshow" that will take place on August 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023. This event marks the return of the Gary Airshow for the first time since 2016, and will once again feature aerial performances from regional, national and international aviators. GCIA will once again serve as a staging area for the event, which will occur at the Marquette Park.

"The City of Gary is ecstatic to welcome back the Gary Airshow," **said City of Gary Mayor Jerome Prince.** "While the COVID-19 pandemic and other limitations have kept the city from putting on the Airshow since it last took place in 2016, the Gary Airshow is back and our city's ability to put on an event with the magnitude and precision like the Gary Airshow is better than ever."

The Gary Airshow will be an integrated effort between the City of Gary, GCIA and the South Shore Convention and Visitors Authority (SSCVA). Funding for the Gary Airshow will be supported by the SSCVA, with other logistical support provided by regional partners. More details on logistics will continue to be shared with Gary residents and regional supporters of the Airshow.

"We are excited to be a part of this event," **said SSCVA Chairman Andy Qunell.** "It is our mission to support attractions throughout the South Shore Indiana region – so the Gary Airshow is a perfect opportunity for us to get involved by attracting visitors to the City of Gary and promoting what the city has to offer."

While the Gary Airshow has only been announced, GCIA is gearing up to provide staging support. Beginning with their main runway extension in 2015, the airport has continually invested in infrastructure, facilities and long-term planning to facilitate the airport's growth – making GCIA even more equipped to support the Airshow than they were in 2016.

"Our airport has been able to fill in an increasingly important niche in the economy of Northwest Indiana over the years by supporting our regional economy and promoting local tourism," **said GCIA Authority Chairman Pete Visclosky**. "We are overjoyed to continue filling this niche by supporting and promoting the Gary Airshow."

More information is anticipated soon. Follow our Facebook page, Gary Chicago International Airport, and our Twitter page, @GaryChiAirport, to stay updated on the 2023 Gary Airshow.



## About Gary/Chicago International Airport

Located minutes from the shores of Lake Michigan and just 25 miles from downtown Chicago, Gary/Chicago International Airport (GCIA) is a full-service airport and a premiere destination for corporate and weekend flyers in the Chicago metropolitan region and Northwest Indiana. To learn more, visit the airport's new website at <u>FlyGYY.com</u>.

## About South Shore Convention and Visitors Authority

The South Shore is a centrally located, reasonably priced destination with wide-open spaces, a <u>National Park</u> and activities for all ages.

The South Shore Convention and Visitors Authority is a sales and marketing organization that leads the hospitality industry and aids its partners through the development and support of attractions throughout the region.