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Gary / Chicago International Airport Hosts Master Plan Presentation

Updated Plan Helps Airport Chart the Next Phase of Growth

(Gary, IN – March 30th, 2021) – On Monday, March 29th, the Gary / Chicago International Airport (GCIA) hosted a virtual presentation discussing updates to the Airport's Master Plan. This is the Airport's second public information session on its Master Plan, following the preliminary meeting in 2017. Over the past several years, GCIA has experienced significant growth and investments, and this new Master Plan is intended to assist the GCIA Authority in guiding the next 20-25 years of airport development and aviation growth.

"We are proud of the airport's sustained growth including the expansion of our main runway as well as the construction of our state-of-the-art U.S. Customs and Border Protection Facility," said **GCIA Authority Chairman Timothy Fesko.** "The updated Master Plan will provide the Airport Authority with a strong guide to chart the next phase of future aviation growth to the airport, and we eagerly anticipate seeing this plan put into motion."

A Master Plan is a comprehensive study for airports that outlines the short-term, medium-term, and long-term development and infrastructure plans and helps guide future airport planning efforts. GCIA last updated its Master Plan in 2001, with this current effort reflective of recent projects and capital improvements that have been undertaken over the past decade.

"The airport has seen significant growth since our last Master Plan process in 2001, and our airport offers tremendous new amenities including the new terminal and hangers," stated **GCIA Authority Vice President Stephen Mays**. "These additions have solidified our role as Chicago's 3rd official airport and made us a vital partner in the Chicago Air Traffic System while laying a strong foundation for our future growth."

A recording of the presentation is available on the <u>GCIA website</u> for viewing. Any questions and comments on the Master Plan can be emailed to <u>masterplan@flygyy.com</u> through April 15th. For more details and information on the Airport's Master Plan, visit the Airport's <u>Master Plan page</u>.

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. In 2020, UPS began its Next Day Air Service operations at GCIA. To learn more, visit the airport's new website at FlyGYY.com.