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MEDIA ADVISORY

Historic Formation of WWII Aircraft over Arlington Cemetery to Honor Military Veterans on October 12th

Washington, D.C., October 3, 2018 — On Friday, October 12, an historic flight of 14 World War II aircraft will fly in formation near the nation's capital as part of the "Potomac Flight" in honor of military veterans. This event is sponsored by the Culpeper Air Fest Foundation and is conducted by pilots who donate their aircraft to support the Foundation mission.

The Culpeper Air Fest Foundation is a 501c(3) non-profit organization chartered to promote awareness, education, and produce and promote the Culpeper Air Fest. Our goal is to honor the contributions of historic military aircraft, which helped to secure our nation's freedom. The Culpeper Air Fest features the ONLY civilian-owned-and- operated Harrier jump jet, which can take off and land vertically, yet fly at near supersonic speeds. The Air Fest is a celebration of our aviation heritage and is a fun, family-friendly, community-oriented event. The show is locally produced, free to the public and draws top performers from around the nation offering something for everyone.

The 14 historic aircraft in Potomac Flight will depart Culpeper Regional Airport in Virginia on Friday, October 12th at 11:45 am and will fly over the Washington National Airport, Pentagon, and Arlington National Cemetery at approximately 12:30 pm. The Flyover will last only a few moments as the aircraft proceed over the Arlington National Cemetery and then back to Culpeper. This flight has been extensively coordinated with the FAA and TSA, and the pilots will be in constant contact with Air Traffic Controllers along their route. The minimum altitude will be 1,000 feet. All planes will adhere to all Federal Aviation Regulations.

There are several locations for the public to view this historic Flyover near Arlington, VA: Gravely Park near Washington National Airport, Pentagon Parking lot, Pentagon Row in Pentagon City, Air Force Memorial, Iwo Jima Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery, or near Fort Myer.

For 911 Call Centers: The planners of the Flyover expect some public interest in this event and are working with members of the media to ensure the public is informed about it. Concerned citizens should be reminded that this flight is authorized by the FAA and TSA, the pilots are all qualified, the aircraft are in constant contact with Air Traffic Controllers, and that there is no danger to them. This flight is a charitable event in support of the Culpeper Airfest Foundation in honor of military veterans. The aircraft will fly near Manassas Regional Airport, Fairfax County, Washington National Airport, the Pentagon, Arlington National Cemetery, and Arlington County. If callers need additional information about the aircraft or this event, they should contact the Culpeper Airfest representative above.