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## Hartsfield-Jackson Honors America, Military, and Readies for Busy Travel Weekend

Atlanta Mayor Kasim Reed to unveil U.S. Military Service Wall of Honor

ATLANTA – Atlanta Mayor Kasim Reed will join officials from Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL) on Thursday, June 30 to unveil the U.S. Military Service Wall of Honor, the Airport's newest tribute to the armed services. Mayor Reed will offer remarks about the new display, the Independence Day holiday, security readiness and the busy travel weekend. He will be joined by Airport officials who will describe the ongoing successful efforts to expedite travelers through security screening.

The U.S. Military Service Wall of Honor is a multimedia display of military artifacts designed to honor members of the United States armed services. The display is intended to be permanent and will be located in the Domestic Terminal Atrium. The unveiling of the display is part of a larger Independence Day celebration that will occur throughout ATL during the holiday period.

Hartsfield-Jackson officials are looking forward to a busy holiday weekend, with more than 80,000 passengers expected to be screened through domestic security checkpoints Friday, July 1. ATL leaders recommend travelers arrive at least two hours prior to scheduled domestic flight departures.

WHO: Atlanta Mayor Kasim Reed

Roosevelt Council Jr., interim ATL general manager

Brigadier Gen. C. David Turner, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

**WHAT:** ATL Celebrates Independence Day

WHEN: Thursday, June 30, 2016

10:30 a.m.

**WHERE:** Domestic Terminal Atrium

Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

6000 North Terminal Parkway

Atlanta, GA 30320

## Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

Hartsfield-Jackson (ATL) is the world's most traveled and most efficient airport, serving more than 101 million passengers annually with nonstop service to more than 150 U.S. destinations and nearly 70 international destinations in more than 45 countries. ATL boasts a direct economic impact of \$34.8 billion in metro Atlanta and a total direct economic impact of \$70.9 billion in Georgia. The Airport is the largest employer in Georgia, with more than 63,000 employees. The Airport is a frequent recipient of awards of excellence for concessions, operations, sustainability, architectural engineering, and construction. ATL is about to embark on a \$6 billion capital improvement plan, ATL Next, that will modernize the domestic terminal and concourses, create new parking decks, construct a 300-room hotel, Class A commercial office space, add a new runway, new concourse and expand cargo facilities. For more information, go to <a href="https://www.atlanta-airport.com">www.atlanta-airport.com</a>.

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