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Hartsfield-Jackson Plays Starring Role in PBS Documentary

“City in the Sky” provides a far-reaching look into ATL and global aviation industry

ATLANTA – Less than a week after Atlanta Mayor Kasim Reed announced Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL) as the world’s busiest airport for the 19th consecutive year, Public Broadcasting System (PBS) will begin airing a documentary on the aviation industry and ATL’s vital role. “City in the Sky” is a three-part documentary series that goes behind-the-scenes to uncover the global networks and complex logistics that allow air travel to soar to new heights. The program is a collaboration between PBS and British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) and will air, in various versions, in Asia, Europe and the Americas.

ATL provided behind-the-scenes access to the BBC production crew during the busiest travel period of the year: the holiday season. That access offered “City in the Sky” producers a unique look at just how Hartsfield-Jackson managed more than 100 million passengers in a single year. From the busiest airport in the world, “City in the Sky” brings viewers to the world’s coldest airport (in Yakutsk, Russia) and the most dangerous airport for landings (Paro Airport in Himalayas).

“City in the Sky” premieres 10 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 8 on Georgia Public Broadcasting (GPB) stations across the state of Georgia. Parts two and three of the series will air on the following Wednesday nights during the same time period.

WHAT: “City in the Sky” documentary series on GPB

WHEN: Wednesday, Feb. 8, 15, 22
10 p.m.

WHERE: Georgia Public Broadcasting
PBS stations nationwide

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Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

Hartsfield-Jackson (ATL) is the world’s busiest and most efficient airport, serving more than 101 million passengers annually with nonstop service to more than 150 U.S. destinations and 70 international destinations in more than 50 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 now in the midst of a \$6 billion capital improvement plan, ATLNext, that will modernize the domestic terminal and concourses, create new parking decks, construct a 440-room hotel, Class A commercial office space, add a new runway, new concourse and expand cargo facilities. For more information, visit www.atl.com.

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