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## Media Advisory

## Hartsfield-Jackson to Receive Prestigious Weather Preparedness Designation

StormReady certification recognizes Airport's commitment to safety

**ATLANTA-** Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL), in partnership with the National Weather Service, will officially unveil ATL's StormReady certification Wednesday, March 22. The StormReady designation, awarded by the National Weather Service, underscores ATL's commitment to increased weather safety awareness for passengers and employees. The designation also provides assurance of effective communication and preparedness before and during severe weather events. ATL is the first airport in Georgia and second commercial site in the state to achieve StormReady certification.

WHO: Roosevelt Council, Jr., Airport General Manager, Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta

International Airport

Keith Stellman, Meteorologist, National Weather Service David Nadler, Meteorologist, National Weather Service

**WHAT:** Designation of ATL as StormReady

WHEN: 10 a.m. Wednesday, March 22, 2017

**WHERE:** Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

Domestic Terminal Atrium 6000 North Terminal Parkway

Atlanta, GA 30320

**NOTES:** Media will be given an opportunity to speak one-on-one with ATL officials and

representatives from the National Weather Service.

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## Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

Hartsfield-Jackson (ATL) is the world's busiest and most efficient airport, serving more than 104 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 program, 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 <a href="https://www.atl.com">www.atl.com</a>.

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