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2020 KC Air Show Postponed

U.S. Navy Blue Angels Will Headline July 3-4, 2021

NEW CENTURY, KS (July 16, 2020) – KC Air Show Charities announced today that the 2020 KC Air Show Presented by Garmin is being postponed due to ongoing COVID-19 safety concerns and rescheduled from September 5-6, 2020 to July 3-4, 2021 at New Century AirCenter. The September 2020 show was to be headlined by the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds who will be replaced by the U.S. Navy Blue Angels in the 2021 performer lineup. Tickets already purchased for 2020 will be honored for 2021 at the lower 2020 price.

Safety has always been the top priority for the KC Air Show. Safety concerns and restrictions related to COVID-19 have caused the cancellation or postponement of most air shows across North America in 2020. The KC Air Show team made several changes to adapt to this year's unique environment, however due to the recent COVID-19 resurgence determined it was not feasible to hold the show in September.

"In these uncertain times, we can very much appreciate and respect the difficult decision KC Airshow Charities has made with regard to this year's schedule. While it is unfortunate, we fully support the proactive measures they are taking in the interest of public health and safety of our community," said Chairman Ed Eilert of the Johnson County Board of County Commissioners. "We are looking forward to an exciting show to be presented July 3-4, 2021 and know that it will be well worth the wait."

Garmin's Phil Straub, Executive Vice President and Managing Director of Aviation, also shared "The KC Air Show team has been a wonderful partner, especially in light of the unusual year the world has experienced. We look forward to continuing as Presenting Sponsor for the 2021 show and enjoying all the amazing aerobatic performances with the Kansas City area attendees,



while also celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the Blue Angels. It's going to be an incredible 2021 Fourth of July weekend, and it will be great to welcome the Blue Angels back to the former Olathe Naval Air Station."

In 2021, the Blue Angels are scheduled to transition from their familiar F/A-18C/D model Hornets they've flown since 1986 to the much larger, louder, and more powerful F/A-18E/F Super Hornets. This will make the low-altitude, tight-turning performances of the Blue Angel solos and the precision and majesty of the formations even more impressive.

The 2021 show will continue to feature the majority of the announced 2020 performers such as the AeroShell Formation Team, P-51 Mustang "By Request", Rob Holland, the Aftershock Jet Truck and many more. The show also announced the addition of the Red Bull Air Force, which includes former Aerobatic World Champion and five-time National Champion and Red Bull Air Racer Kirby Chambliss, the Red Bull Skydiving Team, and Aaron Fitzgerald with the Red Bull Helicopter. The confirmed performer lineup can be viewed at www.KCAirShow.org.

Advance discount tickets for the 2021 Blue Angels show are scheduled to be available for sale to the public by Monday, July 20 at 9 AM. Ticket prices for the 2021 show have increased from 2020. Early bird discounts are available for advance purchase. Tickets and special seating already purchased will be honored at the 2021 show, making 2020 ticket purchases heavily discounted compared to 2021 ticket prices. Limited tickets remain for premium seating areas. Visit the show's website, www.KCAirShow.org for ticket information as well as answers to frequently asked questions.

About KC Air Show Charities

The KC Air Show Presented by Garmin produces air shows and aviation events in the greater Kansas City area. The 2021 show will feature the U.S. Navy Blue Angels Flight Demonstration Team along with two dozen other performers July 3-4 at New Century Air Center in New Century, Kansas. KC Air Show Charities is an IRS-approved 501(c)3 organization. Net proceeds from the event are returned to the community through donations to local charities and non-profits. Events are made possible by the efforts of more than 1,000 volunteers. Additional information is available at www.KCAirShow.org.