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MEDIA RELEASE

Travis AFB to host Gateway to the Pacific Tour

TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. – As part of its 75th anniversary, Travis Air Force Base is scheduled to host a Gateway to the Pacific Tour March 16 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Travis Heritage Center.

The year 2018 marks the 75th anniversary of Travis AFB. In continuation of a year-long celebration, attendees will experience the Airmen and aircraft that make up the base's storied history. The tour includes a heritage walkabout with rotating stations, open aircraft displays and remarks from retired military personnel. Guided tours of historic aircraft and equipment including the famed C-141B Starlifter, also known as the Golden Bear, will also be available.

Noted speakers include retired C-141 pilot Lt. Gen. John Gonge, retired C-7A Caribou pilot Col. Robert Whitehouse, Retired Fire Chief Robert Dittmer and retired C-141 flight engineer Master Sgt. Duane Wooden. These personnel and others will give overviews of their military experience and impact while serving at Travis Air Force Base, providing a unique opportunity to hear Travis history firsthand.

Col. John Klein, 60th Air Mobility Wing commander, will provide opening remarks.

Travis AFB kicked off its 75th anniversary February 8 with a ceremony and the unveiling of the 75th anniversary logo on a C-17 Globemaster III. To read more about the event, visit http://www.travis.af.mil/News/Article/1442195/travis-afb-holds-75th-anniversary-kickoff/.

For the past 75 years, Travis Air Force Base has been a focal point for the world as a power projection platform, a means to deliver hope and a mission fueled by community support. Continuing its tradition as a major strategic logistics hub for the Pacific, Travis Air Force Base has become an integral part of global power projection for the total force.

Media are invited to the base at noon March 16. Opportunities include attendance on the tour, interviews with base leadership and b-roll and photo opportunities.

For additional information and to download the 75th Anniversary Media Kit, visit www.travis.af.mil/75thAnniversary/.

To view the official Facebook event and receive updates, visit https://www.facebook.com/events/1825670320784825//.

For questions and to RSVP, contact 60th Air Mobility Wing Public Affairs at 707-424-2011 or email 60AMWPA@us.af.mil.

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About Travis Air Force Base: Travis is comprised of our host unit, the 60th Air Mobility Wing, along with the 621st Contingency Response Wing, the 349th Air Mobility Wing and more than 50 partner organizations, with more than 26,000 Travis active duty, reservists and civilian employees assigned. The 60th Air Mobility Wing is the largest air mobility organization in the Air Force with a versatile fleet of C-5M Super Galaxy and C-17 Globemaster III cargo and KC-10 Extender refueling aircraft. As the host unit of Travis Air Force Base, the wing controls more than \$11 billion in total resources and handles more cargo and passengers than any other military air terminal in the United States. Travis is the West Coast terminal for aeromedical evacuation aircraft returning sick or injured patients from the Pacific area. For more information, go to www.travis.af.mil.