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The NATIONAL AIR DISASTER ALLIANCE/FOUNDATION - 2005 Aviation Safety Award Recipients

(WASHINGTON DC)- The NATIONAL AIR DISASTER ALLIANCE/FOUNDATION (NADA/F), a public advocacy non-profit organization, founded by air crash survivors and family members, announces recipients of the 2005 Aviation Safety Awards. The Aviation Safety Awards for 2005 recognize the achievements and dedication of elected officials and members of the community working together with a common goal for Safety and Security. The following will be recognized at the Awards Dinner in East Rutherford NJ on Friday, Nov. 11, 2005.

2005 Broadcast Journalism Award to N. J. Burkett, with WABC News New York. **N.J. Burkett**, in a special report, uncovered dangerous conditions in the New York regions Air Traffic Control Centers. His high impact report forced the Federal Aviation into implementing changes that will make our Nations skies safer.

2005 Aviation Safety Awards recognizes distinguished federal, state and community leaders. Their hard work, persistence and dedication have set a national model for promoting safety and security for aviation today.

The Hon. Congressman Steve Rothman

Will be honored for his achievements due to his long-term dedication to aviation safety, while working with national and local elected officials, federal aviation officials, plus members of the community to consistently promote aviation safety and security.

Freeholder and Mayor Bernadette P. McPherson

Will be honored for her leadership and achievements toward bringing together federal, state, and local elected officials, as well as members of the community, toward a common purpose to promote safety and security.

NJ State Senator and Mayor Paul Sarlo

Will be honored for his achievements at the state and local levels to promote aviation safety, while working with state leadership and members of the community.

The **Coalition for Public Health and Safety** is being honored for their oversight of Teterboro Airport. The Award recognizes the achievements and dedication of the non-partisan coalition of elected officials and members of the community working together with a common goal.

The Coalition for Public Health and Safety

Mayor Steve Lonagan

Councilman Craig Lahullier

Councilwoman Carol J. Skiba

and Members of the Coalition: Bogota, Carlstadt, East Rutherford, Hackensack, Hasbrouck Heights, Little Ferry, Maywood, Oradell, Rutherford, South Hackensack, Teaneck, Wood-Ridge and the County of Bergen

The individuals, from Congressman to Community Leaders, with their combined efforts, have made great strides in improving the operating conditions and the safety and security at Teterboro Airport. Working closely with the Port Authority of NY & NJ, they were able to enhance the safety and security of Teterboro Airport by requiring 24 hour 7 days a week police patrols, aircraft firefighting rescue enhancements, as well as receiving FAA approval to install arrestor beds at the end of the Teterboro Airport runways, and a list of many other unprecedented safety accomplishments. The Air Safety Award honors these achievements and their continued commitment to increase safety and security at Teterboro Airport.

NADA/F is the largest grassroots air safety organization in the U.S., with members worldwide. We represent survivors, those who have lost loved ones, aviation professionals, the traveling public, and those impacted by over 100 air disasters worldwide.

NADA/F is a non-profit corporation. Our Mission is to raise the standard of Safety, Security, Survivability, and Support for victims' families through constructive communications with all levels of government, public and private agencies, manufacturers and industry associations. We will inform and educate the flying public on critical issues, and we will advocate for reform. For more information, on the web www.planesafe.org or call 888-444-6232 or Gail Dunham, President GADunham@aol.com

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