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JMAA Announces 100% Jet Bridge Service at the Jackson-Evers International Airport

Dr. Glenda B. Glover, Ph.D., chairman of the Jackson Municipal Airport Authority Board of Commissioners hosted a “ribbon cutting” event at the Jackson-Evers International Airport to launch JEIA’s introduction of 100% jet bridge service.

Dr. Glover welcomed dignitaries, business partners and airport customers to the only airport in Mississippi offering 100% jet bridge service for scheduled passenger flights. She acknowledging and offered her thanks for the financial and professional support for the project provided by: her fellow Commissioners, members of Mississippi’s Congressional delegation and staff, the Mississippi Department of Transportation Aeronautics, the Federal Aviation Administration, JEIA’s airline business partners, design team members lead by I.M.D.C. and the construction and installation team of Fountain/Major Joint Venture and their subcontractors.

Glover stated “Jackson, where business gets done...means more to us than an advertising slogan. This project reflects an investment of \$5.1 million dollars in improvements to the infrastructure of JEIA. I am proud to state that \$1.5 million of those dollars were spent in the Jackson Metro Area on materials, supplies and labor and \$1,134,130 of those dollars were spent with small and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises. Over 100 jobs were supported over course of the two year project. We have improved the efficiency and safety of our aircraft operations. Improved the air quality and conserved natural resource by reducing the amount of both diesel and jet fuel consumed while on the ground. Provided shelter during Mississippi famous weather events, and addressed the needs of passengers with disabilities. Our Mission at JMAA is to operate the Jackson-Evers International Airport and Hawkins Field and connect our patrons to the worldwide intermodal transportation network. With the completion of this new project, we have achieved a major milestone offering direct connections from the terminal to the airplanes and on to the air transportation system. We can get you there from here!”