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The Great Pacific Airshow and 5th and PCH To Hold Welcoming Ceremony for Performers and Community on Thursday, Oct. 18 in Huntington Beach

(Huntington Beach, CA) Oct. 2, 2018 – The 2018 <u>Great Pacific Airshow</u>, returning to Huntington Beach for the third year and featuring the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds, will kick off the exciting, popular Airshow with a community event beginning at 6pm on Thursday, Oct. 18 <u>at 5th and PCH</u> in Huntington Beach. The public is invited to this free event to welcome the Airshow performers. The evening will include a performer Q and A session, live music from The Crew 52 – the Lifeguard Band, food and official Airshow merchandise.

Hosted by the retail and hospitality plaza known as 5th and PCH, this event is an opportunity for the community to come together and celebrate the crown jewel of Huntington Beach's fall event season – The Great Pacific Airshow. Last year's show attracted more than two million people over three days as people of all ages were thrilled by the patriotic show.

"The Great Pacific Airshow brings the Huntington Beach and surrounding communities together like no other event in this city," said Lance Taylor, director at EB Arrow, owners of 5th and PCH. "We are honored to host this event and officially welcome the highly skilled performers who will grace our skies during Airshow weekend."

"The Pacific Airshow is first and foremost a community, organized by members of this community, and we want the performers to know the goodwill and good vibes of Huntington Beach," said Airshow Director Kevin Elliott, president of Pacific Airshow LLC.

The public is invited to bring their beach chairs and blankets for seating at the welcoming ceremony.

Located one block north of the beach, 5th and PCH is home to the Kimpton Shorebreak Hotel, and restaurants including Jimboy's Tacos, HQ Gastropub, Grater Grilled Cheese, Bruxie, Ritter's Steam Kettle Cooking and The Pizza Press. Retail shops include Rip Curl, Skechers, Forever 21, LF Sportswear, Merrilee's Swimwear, F45 fitness gym and Kenneth Brown Salon.

5th Street from Pacific Coast Highway to Walnut Ave. will be closed to vehicles during this event.

<u>VIP tickets</u> are still available for The Great Pacific Airshow. The audio for the Airshow will be simulcast on the KFI AM 640 Radio app; download it here. For more information about the Airshow, please visit www.pacificairshow.com and follow the Pacific Airshow on social - @pacificairshow.

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