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## JOIN US! Celebrating General Aviation in Alaska

The Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA), the General Aviation Manufacturers Association (GAMA), the National Business Aviation Association (NBAA), and the National Air Transportation Association (NATA) cordially invite you to join us in *Celebrating General Aviation in Alaska*. This event will feature U.S. Senator Mark Begich, Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities Commissioner Marc Luiken, and industry leaders including Craig Fuller, the President and CEO of AOPA, Pete Bunce, the President and CEO of GAMA, Tom Hendricks, the President and CEO of NATA and Ed Bolen, the President and CEO of NBAA, and be held on Monday, September 17, at Signature Flight Support, 6231 S. Airpark Place, Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport.

The celebration will highlight the importance of General Aviation and its wide variety of uses in The Last Frontier. Federal, state, and local public officials and industry leaders will interact with hundreds of workers, pilots and others who use general aviation in their work and everyday lives. An opportunity for questions and conversation will follow the planned remarks.

Date: Monday, September 17, 2012

8:45 am – 9:15 am AOPA member meet and greet with Craig Fuller 9:30 am – 10:15 am (Continental breakfast will be available at 9:00 am)

Location: Signature Flight Support Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport 6231 S. Airpark Place Anchorage, AK 99502

**RSVP:** Please register via email at **aviationforum@grassrootssupport.net** to receive information about designated parking areas.

Alaska is home to over 8,000 FAA certificated pilots and 734 public and private airports, heliports, and seaplane bases. Alaskans rely on general aviation for everything from medical evacuation, pipeline patrol, firefighting, wildlife surveys and search and rescue. General aviation also supports the oil, mining, construction, fishing and tourism industries.

The general aviation industry contributes more than \$150 billion to the U.S. economy annually and supports 1.2 million jobs nationwide. General aviation is one of the few remaining domestic manufacturing industries that provide a positive trade surplus for the United States.

We hope that you will be able to join us on September 17 and please share this invitation with other aviation enthusiasts. If you have any questions, please call us at 1-877-898-2612.