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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

MacArthur Airport to Install New State-of-the-Art 3-D TSA Checkpoint Scanner

Islip, NY – September 30, 2020 – The Transportation Security Administration checkpoint at Long Island MacArthur Airport will now use state-of-the-art 3-D imaging to improve screening and detection capabilities. The system utilizes advanced technology algorithms and creates a 3-D image that rotates for complete visual analysis and inspection by TSA officers.

In addition to the sophistication of the computer tomography (CT) checkpoint scanner imagery, the process also minimizes a potential touch point for air travelers.

“The 3-D imagery of this new unit is so good that our TSA officers can manipulate the image on screen to get a better view of a bag’s contents and often clear items without having to open a carry-on bag,” said Robert Duffy, TSA’s Federal Security Director for the airport. “Not only does this state-of-the-art technology represent an improved security threat detection capability at the checkpoint, but it also reduces the need for pulling aside a bag to be opened, thus reducing a touch point during the pandemic.”

“Safety and security are the highest priorities, and we are gratified that the TSA is providing this new, innovative, high-tech screening system at Long Island MacArthur Airport,” said Airport Commissioner Shelley LaRose-Arken. It’s a welcome addition, and is one more way our customers can feel confident and comfortable at MacArthur Airport,” she added.

“This is another affirmation of our commitment to our passengers, and one more reason why Long Island MacArthur Airport continues to be recognized as one of the best small airports in the US,” said Islip Town Supervisor Angie Carpenter.

ABOUT LONG ISLAND MACARTHUR AIRPORT: Long Island MacArthur Airport customers enjoy flights on three major US domestic air carriers: American Airlines, Frontier Airlines and

Southwest Airlines. Together these carriers currently provide service to 11 cities nonstop, and connect to hundreds of destinations worldwide. The airport serves 1.6M passengers annually and employs 6000 people directly and indirectly, with a \$19M annual operating budget and an economic impact of \$600M to the region and local economy.

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