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WINCHESTER, VA – April 13, 2022: The Winchester Regional Airport Authority has been selected to receive the 2021 Frank G. Brewer Memorial Aerospace Education Award from Civil Air Patrol's (CAP) Virginia Wing. Established 31 Dec 1959, the Brewer Aerospace Awards serve as a memorial to Mr. Frank G. Brewer, Sr. and his lifelong interest in aviation, youth, and education. Nominees are evaluated on CAP program support, significance of accomplishment, community involvement, and support of all facets of the aerospace education mission over a continuous period of at least five (5) years.

The award commemorates over thirty years of faithful support by the Winchester Regional Airport Authority for the Winchester Composite Squadron. Specific examples include the provision of hangar facilities, aircraft tie downs, conference rooms, meeting areas, and direct assistance for emergency services missions involving several interstate CAP squadrons. "We are proud to be based at the Winchester Regional Airport," states Winchester Composite Squadron Commander, Major Jacob Bixler. "Our Squadron can aspire to greater heights knowing it has the Authority as a partner in our mission to serve the community, save lives, and shape positive futures for area youths." Looking ahead, the Authority has committed to assisting in the planning and development of a new squadron headquarters facility. "The work of Civil Air Patrol embodies how aviation can be used to serve the public good," says Authority Chairman, Bill Pifer. "CAP is a credit to our airport and community and we are glad to be a small part of their success."

The award will be presented to the Winchester Regional Airport Authority Board of Directors by Virginia Wing Commander, Colonel Elizabeth Sydow, at its scheduled business meeting Thursday, April 14th at 5:00 PM.

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