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General Raymond E. Johns, USAF, Retired, Named Chairman of Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum

HONOLULU — The Board of Directors at Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum today announced that after 20 years of continued volunteer leadership as President and then Chairman, Clint Churchill has stepped down as the organization's Chairman. He will continue his involvement as the organization's Treasurer and member of the Executive Committee.

The Museum also announced that Gen. Raymond E. Johns, USAF (Ret.), was named Chairman following six years of Board membership and leadership with the Museum. "It is an honor to serve in this new capacity, and I remain committed to upholding the mission of this American battlefield," said Johns. "I am grateful for the service of Clint Churchill, whose commitment to these hallowed grounds has helped share the story of December 7, 1941, with millions of visitors since the Museum first opened its doors."

Johns, who is the Museum's fourth Chairman of the Board, is a retired USAF four-star General with over 36 years of service. While on active duty Johns, an experimental test pilot, served in various national and international assignments, including as lead test pilot for the VC-25 Air Force One Replacement Program, and as Commander of USAF Air Mobility Command at Scott Air Force Base in Illinois. Following his retirement, Gen. Johns joined the leadership team at Flight Safety International, eventually becoming its Co-CEO. He is currently the president of Pacific Air Charters and Pacific Aviation Services headquartered in Hawaii.

"It is time for new Board leadership as the Museum continues its expansion," Churchill shared. "Ray is an invaluable asset to guide the Museum into its next chapter, which will include the opening of a \$3 million Aviation Learning Center later this year. We will greatly benefit from his leadership, expertise and commitment to education." In his role as Treasurer, Churchill will help the Museum turn the corner following the impact of the COVID shutdown, helping to ensure the long-term health of the organization.

The doors to what is now Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum opened on December 7, 2006. During its first year of operation, the Museum welcomed 96,000 visitors. By 2017, annual visitation had exceeded 250,000. The Museum is a story of success underpinned on the shoulders of volunteers and staff who give selflessly of their time, talent and personal support to bring to life the vision of an aviation museum established within the hangars that withstood the 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor.

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About Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum

Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum is located on Historic Ford Island, where bombs fell during the attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941. Walk the Pearl Harbor battlefield where the attack began, enter the bullet-scarred hangars, and see the control tower and aircraft of the battle, including a Japanese Zero and the B-17 Swamp Ghost. Hear the stories of World War II heroes and their response to the attack that changed our nation and world. Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum's mission is to steward America's first aviation battlefield of World War II. It is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that depends on membership, volunteers, and donations for support. To join, volunteer or support, visit www.PearlHarborAviationMuseum.org.

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