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Professor John Anderson Jr. to Receive the 2017 Brewer Trophy

Washington, DC, October 5, 2017– The National Aeronautic Association (NAA) is pleased to announce that Professor John Anderson Jr. has been selected as the recipient of the 2017 Frank G. Brewer Trophy. The trophy was established in 1943 to honor “... significant contributions of enduring value to aerospace education in the United States.”

Professor Anderson is being recognized “... for his sustained international leadership in aerospace engineering education demonstrated by his authorship of an array of widely-read undergraduate and graduate textbooks with clear, engaging, and superior technical content and historical context.”

Since 1973, Professor Anderson has served in various capacities at the University of Maryland, Department of Aerospace Engineering. He is currently the Curator for Aerodynamics at the Smithsonian’s National Air and Space Museum and a Professor Emeritus at the Glenn L. Martin Institute, Department of Engineering at the University of Maryland.

Professor Anderson’s most significant contribution to the field of aerospace engineering has been the authorship of 11 textbooks, which are considered the universal standard in aerospace education. The hallmarks of Professor Anderson’s books that have made them so widely popular include weaving in historical narratives that provide critical context for students, providing succinct and clear roadmaps at the outset of the book and the beginning of each chapter, and his conversational, lucid, and clear writing style.

In 1987 McGraw-Hill chose Professor Anderson to be the senior consulting editor for their series in aeronautical and astronautical engineering. Recently, McGraw-Hill officially named his body of work, the *Anderson Series*, noting that his textbooks have been a cornerstone of their success over the course of two-decades and that his work has impacted countless aerospace engineers and students, past and present.

In addition to his textbook writing, Professor Anderson has taught over 40 short courses to the U.S. Air Force Academy, the U.S. government, and major aerospace companies around the world. He was elected as Vice President of Education and again as Vice President of Publications for the American Institute for Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA). Professor Anderson has also been honored with many top distinctions in aerospace engineering. He is a member of the National Academy of Engineering, an Honorary Fellow of the AIAA, and a Fellow of the Royal Aeronautical Society (London).

The 2017 Brewer Trophy Selection Committee Members:

- Frank Brewer
- Robert Brewer
- Rich Hanson, Academy of Model Aeronautics, 2010 Brewer Trophy Recipient
- Pat Prentiss, The Ninety-Nines, 2001 Brewer Trophy Recipient
- Greg Principato, President & CEO, NAA

The Brewer Trophy will be presented at the NAA Fall Awards Ceremony on November 29, 2017 in Arlington, Virginia. For more information or to view a complete list of previous recipients, please visit www.naa.aero.

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