

Academy of Model Aeronautics

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN CIVIL AIR PATROL AND THE ACADEMY OF MODEL AERONAUTICS

RELATING TO A COLLABORATION FOR AVIATION & AEROSPACE PROGRAMS

1. **PURPOSE:** The Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) and Civil Air Patrol (CAP) hereby enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The purpose of this MOU is to formalize a relationship between two of the nation's premiere aviation associations, and to collaborate on programs that nurture and support the growth of aviation participation while being respectful of each organization's mission.

2. **BACKGROUND:** Both organizations provide curriculum support and materials for middle and high school aviation and science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) - related subjects through AMA's AeroLab, a DVD/CD, CAP's Aerospace Dimensions booklets, Aerospace: The Journey of Flight textbook, Aerospace Education Excellence Award Program, and many other aerospace products.
 - A. AMA is the world's largest aeromodeling association, and a self supporting, nonprofit organization whose purpose is to promote the development of model aviation as a recognized sport and worthwhile recreation activity. The AMA has an Education Department that is charged with two objectives:
 - a. Be a resource to help train newcomers, young and old, to the sport, hobby and educational opportunities of model aviation; and
 - b. Assist classroom teachers who wish to integrate aviation/aerospace education concepts into STEM-related subjects, as well as, social studies and language arts programs to meet goals and objectives of the national education standards for these disciplines; and
 - c. For more information on AMA go to www.modelaircraft.org.
 - B. CAP is a private, nonprofit corporation chartered by the United States Congress with the following purposes:
 - a. Provide an organization to encourage and aid American citizens in the contribution of their efforts, services, and resources in the development of aviation and in the maintenance of aerospace supremacy;
 - b. Encourage and develop by example the voluntary contribution of private citizens to the public welfare;

- c. Provide aviation and aerospace education and training especially to its senior and cadet members;
- d. Encourage and foster civil aviation in local communities; and
- e. Provide an organization of private citizens with adequate facilities to assist in meeting local and national emergencies; and
- f. For more information on CAP go to www.gocivilairpatrol.com.

3. ACTIONS: AMA and CAP agree to explore collaborative ways to provide opportunities for youth and adults to initiate or increase their participation in full scale or model aviation. These efforts may include but shall not be limited to:

- A. Collaboration on youth engagement striving to find constructive ways to nurture interest in aviation and provide opportunities for youth to actively participate.
- B. Pursuit of opportunities for collaboration at the field level, encouraging AMA clubs and CAP squadrons to work together to promote participation in aviation.
- C. Exploring ways to exchange aerospace education information to expand overall capabilities.
- D. Mutually assisting in opening doors for mutual membership expansion.
- E. Endeavoring to make the AMA Take Off and Grow, or TAG program, a collaborative effort.
- F. Developing mutual training and "how- to" documents for assisting both AMA clubs and CAP squadron members in the planning and conduct of joint events as well as exchanging educational materials that are mutually available.

4. LIMITATIONS: The entry by AMA and CAP into this MOU does not guarantee the ability of AMA members to participate in CAP activities and vice versa. Each organization retains control over and responsibility for its own members and activities. Neither AMA nor CAP shall use the logo or name of the other organization to imply endorsement of an activity that has not in fact been endorsed by the other. The entry by the parties into this MOU does not create a joint venture, partnership, or any other similar relationship between the parties, each of which retains its own independent character and operations.

5. EFFECTIVE DATES: This agreement shall be effective from the date it is executed by the appointed representatives of AMA and CAP. The term of this agreement is five (5) years from its effective date. This MOU will be automatically renewed for an additional five (5) year period at the end of each term, absent objection by either party. Either party may terminate this agreement upon written notice to the other party at any time, with or without cause. The provisions of this agreement may be amended at any time upon mutual agreement of the parties in writing.

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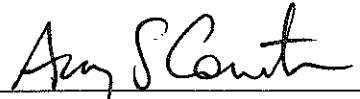
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this MOU has been executed by the parties hereto:



Dave Mathewson
President
Academy of Model Aeronautics

Date: 1-8-11



Amy S. Courter
Major General, CAP
National Commander, Civil Air Patrol

Date: 1-8-2011