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## 179<sup>th</sup> AW Dedicates C-130H Spirit of Mansfield

MANSFIELD, Ohio – On Saturday, Jul 5, 2014, during the 2014 Mansfield Lahm Airport Day, the 179<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing will dedicate one of the C-130H, aircraft 83-0488 to the city of Mansfield. The dedication ceremony will begin at 0900 centered on the C-130 located to the North-East side of the Subway restaurant. The 179<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing will be designating the aircraft as the "Spirit of Mansfield". The title "Spirit of Mansfield" is painted over the aircrew door, underneath the title is an Air Force Outstanding Unit ribbon that the Wing has been awarded on numerous occasions.

Special guest for the event will include Representative Bob Gibbs, and Mansfield Mayor Tim Theaker. Senator Sherrod Brown and Representative Pat Tiberi offices will both be represented. Col Gary McCue, 179<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing Commander, will present a special memorial shadow box of the C-130H dedication ceremony to the City of Mansfield in gratitude for all of the support that the city of Mansfield provides to the 179<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing and all of its members. Each guest may talk briefly about the occasion before the aircraft nameplate will be unveiled.

All media agencies are invited to join the 179<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing dedication ceremony at 0855, Mansfield Lahm Airport, Harrington Memorial Drive, Mansfield, Ohio 44903.