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## Allegiant Honored by the Flint and Genesee Group for its Significant Contribution to the Region

**FLINT, Mich.,** November 5, 2021 - Allegiant Travel Company was recognized during last night's Art of Achievement Awards for its partnership with Flint Bishop Airport. The Las Vegas-based company received the Economic Development Project of the Year Award after announcing earlier this year it will establish a new aircraft and crew base at Flint Bishop.

The Allegiant base at FNT is a \$75 million investment that will create 89 high-wage jobs. The company plans to begin its base operations in Flint on February 16, 2022.

"This award reflects the great relationship with Allegiant, our community and the region as a whole," said Nino Sapone, CEO of Flint Bishop International Airport. "The community has continually supported Allegiant since the airline's inaugural flight in 2016 and we are grateful to Allegiant for its continued growth."

"Congratulations to Allegiant on winning an Art of Achievement Award," said Tim Herman, CEO of the Flint & Genesee Group. "Their commitment to invest \$75 million, which includes creating new, high-wage jobs, demonstrates their confidence that Flint and Genesee County is a place where they can be successful. Not only will their investment bring more flight options to local residents and visitors coming to the area, but it will also positively influence the long-term growth of our region, making Allegiant truly deserving of the Economic Development Project of the Year."

Sapone attended the ceremony, held at the historic Capitol Theatre, and accepted the award on Allegiant's behalf. The annual ceremony recognizes outstanding businesses and leaders helping to move Flint and Genesee County forward.

Flint Bishop International Airport (FNT) is "Not the only way to fly. Just a better one". Flint guarantees you all of the destination options of a larger airport, while flying from the comfort of a relaxing and beautiful facility. Flint features all-jet service, with flights provided by Allegiant, American, Delta (temporarily suspended) and United. Our airlines provide many nonstop flights to popular destinations across the country that will also connect you around the world, usually in one stop or less. For reservations and flight information from Flint, visit our website at bishopairport.org.

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