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Ford Airport Welcomes First Frontier Flight from Phoenix-Sky Harbor



Grand Rapids, Mich. - Frontier Airlines passengers left 76-degree temperatures as the first inbound Phoenix flight landed in Grand Rapids today to a cool 31-degrees. Frontier began operating new nonstop flights today from Grand Rapids (GRR) to Phoenix-Sky Harbor International (PHX). The airline also started new seasonal flights to Tampa International (TPA) on Thursday.

Frontier, headquartered in Denver, will be serving the Gerald R. Ford International Airport with two weekly nonstop flights to Phoenix-Sky Harbor International Airport on an Airbus A320 family aircraft, along with service to Tampa International three times weekly. The Phoenix service is scheduled weekly for departures on Monday and Friday, and the service to Tampa will operate on Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday.

"Many Michiganders on today's inbound flight were excited to be back in West Michigan with snow falling to celebrate the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday, however our outbound Phoenix passengers seemed even more excited to be headed to sunny, warm temperatures," said Tara Hernandez, Marketing & Communications Director at the Ford Airport. "We are thrilled to have Frontier investing in Grand Rapids and adding more cities to our route map that West Michigan travelers are



venturing to visit. We look forward to seeing the continued growth as we close out 2018 and approach our three million passenger mark."

Booking is available now on Frontier's website, <u>www.flyfrontier.com</u>, The service will be seasonal, culminating in April 2019.

Frontier re-entered the Grand Rapids market in 2017 with nonstop flights to Denver (DEN), Orlando (MCO), and seasonal service to Fort Myers (RSW), and Philadelphia (PHL). Phoenix and Tampa mark the fifth and sixth cities the airline serves from GRR, respectively.

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The Gerald R. Ford International Airport (GFIA) is the second busiest airport in Michigan. The Airport served over 2.8 million passengers in 2017 and over 7,000 travelers pass through GFIA each day. The Gerald R. Ford International Airport offers nonstop service to 24 major market destinations with more than 120 daily nonstop flights. The Gerald R. Ford International Airport is managed and operated by the Gerald R. Ford International Airport Authority. GFIA generates over \$3.1 billion in annual economic output throughout West Michigan, and employs over 2,000 people. For more information on GFIA visit: www.flyford.org or follow the airport on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter: @FlyGRFord