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Attachment 10 – Petition for LHFE Exemption Renewal and Additional Aircraft

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PETITION FOR LHFE EXEMPTION RENEWAL AND ADDITIONAL AIRCRAFT

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Dear Administrator Elwell,

The Collings Foundation is requesting renewal of existing exemption from FAR 91.9, 91.315, 91.319(a), 119.5(g), and 119.21(a) of Title 14 CFR to allow the Collings Foundation to operate certain aircraft for the purpose of carrying passengers for compensation or hire under the LHFE program IAW FAA policy posted on 7/21/2015ID: FAA-2015-0517-0001.

The Collings Foundation has been operating under the exemption and now LHFE program since 1997.

Aircraft Requested for Exemption:

The Collings Foundation has been operating under Exemption 6540 since 1997 and the current revision is 6540P with an expiration date of March 31st 2020.

Aircraft Currently on the LHFE exemption and requested for renewal:

Boeing B-17 N93012 serial number 32264
Consolidated B-24 N224J serial number 44-44052
North American B-25 N3476G serial number 44-28932
McDonnell Douglas F-4 N749CF serial number 65-0749
McDonnell Douglas TA-4J N524CF serial number 153524
Grumman TBM N9590Z serial number 91733
Bell UH-1E N911KK serial number 153762
North American F-100F Super Sabre N26AZ serial number 56-3844
Douglas EA-1E Skyraider N188RH serial number 135188
Lockheed T-33 N648 serial number 51-6953

Additional aircraft is duplicate type, but new tail number:

B-25N N7946C serial number 44-28938

- All of the aircraft requested are either Limited or Experimental category.
- None of the aircraft have a standard category equivalent.
- All of the aircraft have been U.S. operated.
- None of the aircraft are in U.S. military service and are over 50 years old.
- All of the aircraft meet the criteria of being "fragile" as there are less than 1% of each type still in service.

We respectfully ask that this be processed expeditiously as the new additional aircraft to the LHFE is needed to be operated January of 2020, before the renewal date of March 31st 2020.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/

Executive Director Collings Foundation