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San Antonio International Airport Honors Aviation Pioneer Dee Howard in Street Renaming Ceremony

San Antonio, TX (June 3, 2013)—D.U. **"**Dee" Howard, aviation pioneer, was honored in a street renaming ceremony at San Antonio International Airport on Monday, June 3, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. when a portion of South Terminal Drive was renamed Dee Howard Way.

"My brother Lonnie and I are overwhelmed by the tribute to our father," said Dee Ann Bridges. "We are very honored that the City of San Antonio Aviation Department would recognize our father for his contributions to the aviation industry."

A self-taught engineer, inventor and entrepreneur, Dee Howard is internationally recognized for advancing the state of art on business aircraft with numerous safety and performance improvements including jet engine thrust reversers and refinement in aircraft flight characteristics.

In 1947, Dee Howard founded his first company, in a building located on the ramp at San Antonio International Airport. The company quickly grew and became one of the most successful aircraft maintenance and modification companies of the post-war era. Howard's first major program was the extensively modified and remanufactured Lockheed Ventura medium bomber. He transformed the Ventura into a high performance, long-range business aircraft that became the Howard Super Ventura. This aircraft was followed by the Howard 250, 350 and 500 models.

In 1964, the Dee Howard Company was founded and became the industry leader in engineer and production for emerging business and commercial jet aircraft market. In 1990, Howard sold the Dee Howard Company and today, the company is named ST Aerospace.

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