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## **Maritime Patrol Association Awarded Boeing Sponsorship**

JACKSONVILLE, FL – The Boeing Company is partnering with the Maritime Patrol Association (MPA) on its 2018 Corporate Sponsorship Program, as an Elite Level corporate sponsor, for the seventh consecutive year. Boeing will provide the organization with a financial contribution toward its mission to build a strong foundation of support for the U.S. Navy’s Maritime Patrol and Reconnaissance Force (MPRF).

The sponsorship by Boeing will enable MPA to extend a number of opportunities to the members of the Maritime Patrol and Reconnaissance Force, including; networking and education offered through a variety of meetings, events and media; awards, recognition and scholarships to those persons who have made significant contributions to this aviation community; and information regarding new developments and accomplishments in the Maritime Patrol and Reconnaissance community.

Incorporated little more than seven years ago, MPA has grown from wishful thinking to thriving official Florida non-profit corporation. In its first 7 years, MPA: attracted more than 1,200 members, received over \$268,000 from corporate sponsors, raised over \$41,000 for the MPA Scholarship Fund, entertained over a thousand of guests during the last six annual symposium weeks, and released 24 issues of the quarterly newsletter, *PLANESIDE*.

A Florida not-for-profit corporation established in 2011 and headquartered in Jacksonville, Fla., the Maritime Patrol Association is dedicated to its mission to be the premier professional organization representing the U.S. Maritime Patrol and Reconnaissance community by promoting the use of the patrol and reconnaissance aircraft in the United States Navy. The organization is tax-exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (Tax ID No. 45-1968605).

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