Associated Aircraft Group And Patient AirLift Services Make Thanksgiving Event Possible For Cancer-Stricken Mom And Children

WAPPINGERS FALLS, N.Y., Nov. 28, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- Associated Aircraft Group (AAG), a Sikorsky company, and Patient AirLift Services (PALS), a nonprofit organization that arranges for free volunteer aircraft flights for medical patients throughout the Northeast, completed round-trip helicopter flights for Tammy Malangone, a 45-year-old mom with bone cancer, and her two young teenagers to attend the KiDS NEED M♥RE's 2016 Campsgiving event on Shelter Island, N.Y. Sikorsky is a Lockheed Martin company (NYSE: LMT).

"To know that there are people that will take us to Campsgiving on their own time, pay for the gas, donate their resources, it means a lot," said Tammy. "We otherwise wouldn't be able to go, and we look forward to these trips because it gets us away from everything that is going on here. We are grateful. It's good to know that there are good people."

AAG has joined with PALS this year to donate helicopter transportation to medical treatment for ambulatory individuals who cannot afford or are otherwise unable to fly commercially in the Northeast. Transportation is also arranged by PALS to assist military personnel and their families with free flights to aid in recovery and rehabilitation for wounded veterans. AAG conducted its first flight in the joint effort on May 31 using an AAG Sikorsky S-76® helicopter. To date, AAG has flown 14 of these missions.

AAG is well recognized for its long history of owning and operating Sikorsky S-76 helicopters in the Northeast. AAG is "Platinum" rated by ARG/U.S. International, is Wyvern Recommended, and recently achieved 50,000 safe flying hours in the S-76 helicopter. AAG provides VIP helicopter transportation in the Washington D.C., Philadelphia, New York City, Hartford, and Boston markets.

Patient AirLift Services (PALS) is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit that arranges free flights through its volunteer pilot network for individuals requiring medical diagnosis, treatment or follow-up, for military personnel and their families, or for other compassionate humanitarian purposes. PALS is located in Farmingdale, N.Y., and has arranged over 11,000 flights to date.

KiDS NEED M♥RE is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization dedicated to enhancing the lives of children, families and young adults coping with cancer and other life-threatening illness. KiDS NEED M♥RE offers programs designed to further the healing and coping process of children diagnosed with or affected by life threatening illness.

For additional information about AAG, visit http://www.flyaag.com. Find out more about Patient AirLift Services by accessing www.palsflight.org or calling 631-694-PALS (7257). To learn about KiDS NEED M♥RE programs, call 631.608.3135 or visit www.kidsneedmore.org.

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