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**AIAA ANNOUNCES 2008 HONORARY FELLOWS
AND 2008 FELLOWS**

December 10, 2007 – Reston, Virginia – The American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) is proud to announce the election of the 2008 Honorary Fellows and 2008 Fellows. Presentation of the new Honorary Fellows and the new Fellows will take place at the *Aerospace Spotlight Awards Gala* on Wednesday, May 14, 2008, at the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center, in Washington, D.C.

Presented only to exceptional individuals who embody the highest standards possible in the aeronautics and astronautics field, “Honorary Fellow” is the highest accolade that can be bestowed by AIAA and its Board of Directors. Those chosen are recognized as being individuals of eminence with long and contributory careers in aerospace. The 2008 Honorary Fellows are:

Yvonne Brill, Aerospace Consultant
Henry McDonald, University of Tennessee SimCenter
Abe Zarem, Strategic Advisor, Knowledge and Information Technology Industries

The distinction of “Fellow” is bestowed by AIAA and its Board of Directors upon members who have made notable and valuable contributions to the arts, sciences, or technology of aeronautics or astronautics. The 2008 Fellows are:

Damodar Ambur NASA Langley Research Center
Penina Axelrad, University of Colorado
Josette Bellan, Jet Propulsion Laboratory
Graham Candler, University of Minnesota
Michael Coats, NASA Johnson Space Center
William Copenhaver, Air Force Research Laboratory
Robert Dickman, AIAA
Gary Flandro, University of Tennessee Space Institute
Datta Gaitonde, Air Force Research Laboratory
Ephraim Gutmark, University of Cincinnati
Richard Hallion, Hallion Associates
Peter Hughes, Dynacon, Inc.
M. Yousuff Hussaini, Florida State University
Essam Khalil, University of Cairo
Shinya Kobayakawa, Civil Transport Development Corp.

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John McMasters, The Boeing Company
Achille Messac, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Paul Munafo, NASA Marshall Space Flight Center
Yaakov Oshman, Technion-Israel Institute of Technology
Sergio Pellegrino, California Institute of Technology
Helen Reed, Texas A&M University
Aviv Rosen, Technion-Israel Institute of Technology
Stephen Rottler, Sandia National Laboratories
Burt Rutan, Scaled Composites, LLC
Kenneth Sanger, The Boeing Company
Ronald Smith, Northrop Grumman Corporation
Christopher Scolese, NASA
Marilee Wheaton, The Aerospace Corporation
Robert Winn, Engineering Systems Inc.
Susan Ying, The Boeing Company

In 1933, Orville Wright became AIAA's first Honorary Fellow, and today, AIAA's Honorary Fellows and Fellows are the most respected names in the aerospace industry.

For more information on AIAA honors and awards, contact Carol Stewart, carols@aiaa.org or 703.264.7623.

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