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Mr Erasmo Piñero, Jr
4813 Bob Wills Drive
Keller, TX 76244

Dear Mr. Piñero:

It is my pleasure to inform you that Pearson Airfield has been selected as a 2012 Historic Aerospace Site by the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) Historic Sites Committee.

AIAA is the principal society serving the aerospace profession. The institute has approximately 35,000 members, both professionals and students, and conducts a number of national technical conferences each year in areas including digital avionics, fluid dynamics, flight test, design engineering and others. The Institute publishes textbooks on aircraft design, orbital sciences and related subjects and conducts short courses in various aerospace technical disciplines. In addition, AIAA publishes seven technical journals. AIAA is a not-for-profit professional society.

The AIAA Board of Directors established the Historic Aerospace Sites Committee in 1999 in order to recognize and preserve noteworthy and significant contributions made in both aeronautics and astronautics to culture and technology. Advances and discoveries in the aerospace field have significantly affected the lives of people the world over. Since so many of these incredible discoveries have become commonplace, AIAA hopes to promote the rich history of the aerospace field both to industry and to the public.

The Historic Sites Committee chose Pearson Airfield along with Lunken Field, Ohio; Bell Aircraft, New York; and Willow Grove, Pennsylvania as their choices of sites to be honored. We would like to place an 18" x 24" bronze plaque at a place convenient to you that is also, if possible, accessible to the public. We will also be printing a short booklet about the site. We would like to arrange for a dedication ceremony and were hoping for sometime later in 2012 subject to your convenience. Emily Springer, the Historic Sites Program Manager, will be in touch with you shortly to discuss the details. If you have questions in the meantime, she can be reached at 703/264-7533.

Again, it is my pleasure to have the opportunity of informing you of the Pearson Airfield selection and I look forward to working with you on the plaque and the ceremony.

Very truly yours,
(signed)

Anthony M. Springer
Chair, AIAA Historic Aerospace Sites Committee