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PRESS RELEASE

SILVER AIRWAYS SELECTED BY USDOT TO BE NEXT SEASONAL ESSENTIAL AIR SERVICE CARRIER AT HANCOCK COUNTY – BAR HARBOR AIRPORT!

TRENTON, ME- May 4, 2018: We are happy to announce that yesterday afternoon the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) issued Order No. 2018-5-9 selecting Silver Airways LLC (“Silver”) as the next seasonal Essential Air Service provider to serve the Hancock County – Bar Harbor Airport (“BHB”) with service to and from Boston Logan Airport to start on **July 1, 2018** through September 7, 2020! Silver service will be provided in Saab SF-340 B twin engine turboprop aircraft which are able to carry 34 passengers in comfort on the short flight to and from Boston Logan Airport where they will be able to connect on Silver’s interline and codeshare partner airlines to fly nonstop from Boston to over 75 destinations across the United States and around the globe making Bar Harbor and the Downeast area of Maine more accessible for our community and for our summer visitors than ever before. Silver plans to offer very competitive fares making flying into and out of the Bar Harbor Airport convenient AND cost effective! Reminder: Parking continues to be FREE at BHB! Reservations on all Silver flights to and from Boston will soon be available on their website at www.silverairways.com. Passengers traveling through our facility currently have several air carrier options as Cape Air (www.capeair.com) continues to provide outstanding service all year round and PenAir (www.penair.com) seasonal service to Boston Logan Airport (also using Saab 34 seat turboprop aircraft) will resume starting later this month on **May 25th** and will continue through June 30, 2018 just prior to Silver Airways inaugural flight on July 1st. PenAir has advised that any customers that purchased reservations for travel to or from BHB for travel dates after June 30th will receive full refunds and those passengers will soon be able to re-book their reservations on Silver Airways flights. Those passengers may contact PenAir Reservations by calling 1-800-448-4226 to request a refund. There is a lot to be excited about here at BHB!

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