

## **IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## Horry County Department of Airports Offers Operational Update

*Myrtle Beach, SC, April 21, 2020* – During March 2020, a total of 88,296 passengers passed through the Myrtle Beach International Airport (MYR), a decrease of 49% compared to March 2019, and similar to airports across the country.

At MYR, total passenger traffic during March 2020, which includes enplanements and deplanements, totaled 88,296 compared to 172,971 in March 2019. The number of people arriving on flights, or deplanements, totaled 43,332 compared to 83,319 in 2019.

"March passenger levels were on course to break an all-time record until the COVID-19 outbreak, which brought air traffic to a standstill across the world," said Scott Van Moppes, Director of Airports. "April passenger counts are expected to see a large decline as airlines have cancelled the majority of service to and from Myrtle Beach. We anticipate the airport will see some flights return in May, while the airline industry begins its recovery from the current pandemic."

Detailed passenger statistics are located at flymyrtlebeach.com, under "Facts and Figures".

**About the Myrtle Beach International Airport (MYR)** The Myrtle Beach International Airport is the gateway to Myrtle Beach, SC and the Grand Strand. The Myrtle Beach International Airport is owned by Horry County and operated by the Department of Airports. MYR is served by Allegiant, American Airlines, Delta Air Lines, Frontier Airlines, Porter Airlines, Spirit, Sun Country and United Airlines. Learn more at: www.flymyrtlebeach.com