

News Release

Detroit Metropolitan Airport's North Terminal becomes the Warren Cleage Evans Terminal on April 4th

DETROIT (March 14, 2022) – Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport's (DTW) North Terminal will be renamed the Warren Cleage Evans Terminal on Monday, April 4, 2022. The dedication ceremony will begin at 2 p.m. in the ticket lobby on the Departures Level. The ceremony is open to invited guests and the news media. A reception will be held in the evening.

In June 2021, the Wayne County Airport Authority (WCAA) Board of Directors voted to rename the North Terminal in honor of Wayne County Executive Warren C. Evans. The terminal opened in 2008 to offer customers another world-class option at DTW and allowed for the retirement of the Smith and Berry terminals as passenger facilities. The North Terminal was named after its location on the DTW campus.

"This is truly an honor, and I would like to thank everyone who made this possible," said Wayne County Executive Evans. "I have dedicated my life to public service, and I have always believed that you don't get into this line of work for the awards or recognition. Public service is about serving the public. But I must say that it does feel good to know that others appreciate what I have been trying to do for all these years."

Over the next few weeks, the Airport Authority will modify signage throughout DTW, including the roadways.

"Dozens of signs need to be changed; therefore, we must start early," said WCAA Chief Executive Officer Chad Newton. "This means there may be times when signs reflect the new name, while other signs do not. We'll do our best to inform our customers of this change and we appreciate their patience during this transition period."

A special sign honoring Executive Evans will be unveiled during the dedication ceremony.

"Wayne County Executive Warren C. Evans is a dedicated public servant who has transformed our region for the better and we're pleased the WCAA Board decided to name our terminal after him," Newton said. "Following the renaming, we will begin refreshing the appearance and functionality of the terminal to improve the customer experience. We're looking forward to beginning this new chapter in Detroit Metropolitan Airport's story."

Media planning to attend the dedication event are asked to RSVP by sending an email to Erica.Donerson@wcaa.us by noon on Thursday, March 31. Please include attendees' full names in the email.

Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport (DTW) serviced more than 23 million passengers in 2021, amid the global COVID-19 pandemic. In 2019, DTW welcomed more than 36 million passengers. As one of the world's leading air transportation hubs, DTW offers service from 12 scheduled passenger airlines. Michigan's largest airport offers approximately 800 flights per day to and from more than 125 nonstop destinations on three continents. With two award-winning passenger terminals, six jet runways, and an onsite AAA Four-Diamond Westin Hotel, DTW is among the world's most efficient, customer friendly and operationally capable airports in North America. Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport earned Airports Council International's 2020 Airport Service Quality Award for Best Airport by Size and Region (25 to 40 million passengers per year in North America). DTW also received the highest score among mega airports in the J.D. Power 2019 North America Airport Satisfaction Study of customers' satisfaction with the airport they traveled through and scored the highest in the security check and terminal facilities factors. Visit jdpower.com/awards for details. DTW is operated by the Wayne County Airport Authority, which also operates nearby Willow Run Airport — an important corporate, cargo and general aviation facility. The Airport Authority is entirely self-sustaining and does not receive tax dollars to support airport operations. Visit www.metroairport.com for more information.

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