

# ESSENTIAL PROFESSIONALS

## INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLER

Throughout the global pandemic, air traffic controllers and other air traffic management staff have continued to perform their duties. In doing so, they enabled people to return home to their loved ones and safely guided medical and cargo flights, thereby helping to save thousands of lives.

On **October 20<sup>th</sup>**, we celebrate the international day of the air traffic controller. These professionals provide their essential service to the aviation industry 24/7 every day of the year.

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, our industry is at a crossroads. Air Traffic Controllers worldwide are ready to help reinvent our safety critical profession, changing what is necessary to build an even safer and more resilient air traffic control system.

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