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## Smyrna firms key in D.C. exhibit

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For the past 13 years a lone Cessna 150 has been flying at an altitude of 8 feet AFL (Above Floor Level) while maintaining 0 airspeed.

During this period more than two million young pilots have taken turns at the controls. The location of this ongoing record-setting flight is the National Air and Space Museum's "How Things Fly" gallery in Washington, D.C.

Smyrna-based Corporate Flight Management and Tangent Industries played leading roles in the restoration and modification of this aircraft for interactive display.

"We were chosen by NASM designers to provide in kind services in preparing an interactive and a static aircraft for the gallery," said CFM CEO Allen Howell.

Howell, along with CFM President David Augustin and Tangent Industries Vice President Sean Saunders, recently traveled to Washington for a grand reopening of How Things Fly. Corporate Flight was honored as an "original funder" of the gallery along with Boeing, Cessna and NASA.

"It is truly an honor to be included in this group of legendary aerospace organizations," Howell said.

Originally designated as a "permanent gallery" with a lifespan of 10 years, HTF has become a favorite with families and youth groups. As a result, museum officials extended the gallery for an indefinite run.

In addition to building the exhibits, CFM and Tangent have pledged to maintain the interactive 150 exhibit in perpetuity.