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MIGHTY EIGHTH AIR FORCE MUSEUM'S B-17 ARRIVES

Pooler, Ga. - On January 14, 2009 The Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum welcomed the final part, the fuselage of its very own World War II Flying Fortress B-17 Bomber. The plane was transported from a storage hanger at the National Air and Space Museum to its permanent home inside the Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum's Combat Gallery.

The Museum named its B-17 bomber "City of Savannah" in honor of one which left Hunter Army Air Field in Savannah and flew bombing missions over Germany in World War II. The "City of Savannah" will be restored to its wartime configuration. The bomber will remain on display inside the Museum during this restoration process.

Activated in 1942 in Savannah, GA the Eighth Air Force was an important strike element in World War II and remains an active force today. The Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum honors the Mighty Eighth's proud legacy by preserving the stories of courage, character and patriotism displayed by the men and women of the Eighth Air Force from World War II to the present.

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