

## Proclamation

*WHEREAS, General Aviation and Community Airports play a critical role in the lives of our citizens, as well as in the operation of our businesses and farms; and*

*WHEREAS, Colorado has a significant interest in the continued vitality of general aviation, aerospace, aircraft manufacturing, educational institutions and aviation organizations and community airports and airport operators; and*

*WHEREAS, Colorado is home to 74 airports, which serve 19,118 pilots and 6,741 general aviation aircraft. Colorado General Aviation airports contribute \$2.4 billion to the state's economy yearly; and*

*WHEREAS, General Aviation plays a vital role in the State's response to emergencies and natural disasters; and*

*WHEREAS, General Aviation sustains 256,700 jobs and a payroll of nearly \$12.6 billion. The figure increases substantially when factoring in general aviation jobs at commercial-service airports across the state; and*

*WHEREAS, Colorado is home to 33 charter flight companies, 80 repair stations, 3,854 flight instructors, 3,966 student pilots and 10 part 141 flight schools. In addition, there are 70 fixed-based operators and 447 heliports; and*

*WHEREAS, Colorado depends on General Aviation and Community airports for the continued flow of commerce, tourists, and visitors to our communities; and*

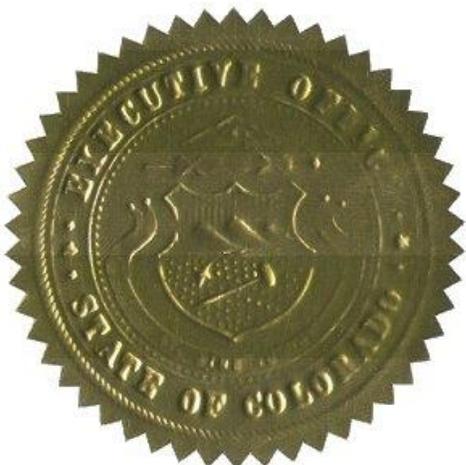
*WHEREAS, organizations including the Colorado Aeronautical Board, Colorado Division of Aeronautics, Colorado Aviation Business Association, National Association of State Aviation Officials, Colorado Airport Operators Association, Colorado Pilots Association, Colorado Aerial Applicators Association, National Air Transport Association, National Business Aviation Association, and the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association recognize, promote, and develop the interests and importance of General Aviation in our state, our nation, and the wider world.*

*Therefore, I, Jared Polis of the State of Colorado do hereby proclaim the month of June 2019 as,*

### **GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH**

*in the State of Colorado.*

*GIVEN under my hand and the  
Executive Seal of the State of Colorado,  
this first day of June, 2019*



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jared Polis".

Jared Polis  
Governor