

By His Excellency Dannel P. Malloy, Governor: an

## Official Statement

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, The state of Connecticut has a significant interest in the continued vitality of General Aviation, aerospace, aircraft manufacturing, educational institutions, aviation organizations, community airports and airport operators; and

WHEREAS, As of December 31, 2014, there were 23 public-use airports in the State serving 5,023 FAA certificated pilots; and

WHEREAS, In 2013, there were also 1,681 general aviation and on-demand FAR Part 135 aircraft primarily flown in Connecticut; and

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

WHEREAS, Many communities in Connecticut depend heavily on General Aviation and community airports for the continued flow of commerce, tourists, and visitors to our State; now

THEREFORE, I, Dannel P. Malloy, Governor of the State of Connecticut, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2015 to be

## GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

in the State of Connecticut.



GOVERNOR