

Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

State Capital Boise

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 Idaho 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, general aviation in Idaho contributes over \$1.1 billion to the state's total economic output and supports 7,900 jobs, resulting in \$342 million in labor income; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho Transportation Department's Division of Aeronautics reports that Idaho has 128 public-use general aviation airports, and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) data shows that these airports serve 5,095 pilots and 2,867 active general aviation aircraft; and

WHEREAS, Idaho is home to 32 repair stations, seven FAA-approved pilot schools, 1,143 student pilots, 931 flight instructors and 53 heliports; in addition to 49 fixed-base operators registered in Idaho and listed in the AC-U-KWIK directory; and

WHEREAS, many Idaho communities depend heavily on general aviation and community airports for the continued flow of commerce, tourists and visitors to our state; and

WHEREAS, the nation's aviation infrastructure represents an important public benefit;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C. L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim June 2018 to be

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 1st day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand and seventeen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-first and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-seventh.

C.L. "BUTCH\" OTTER
GOVERNOR

LAWERENCE DENNEY