



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor 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, the State of Idaho 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, Idaho is home to 119 public-use general aviation airports, which serve 5,059 pilots and 4,020 general aviation aircraft; and

WHEREAS, the economic affect of general aviation in Idaho is over \$429 million; and over 23,000 residents owe their jobs to aviation in Idaho, which represents 2.9 percent of all jobs in the state, with a total economic impact of aviation in Idaho of \$2.1 billion; and

WHEREAS, Idaho's general aviation airports provide 4,096 jobs in Idaho, with an estimated payroll of \$133 million; and

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

WHEREAS, Idaho is home to 46 charter flight companies, 28 repair stations, and seven flight schools operating 22 aircraft and providing 58 jobs, in addition to the 46 fixed-base operators in Idaho; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim September 2011 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 September, in the year of our Lord two thousand and eleven and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-sixth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty second.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

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