Aroclamation

Steben I. Beshear (Hohernor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

- WHEREAS, With 60 publicly owned airports, 112 private airstrips and more than 6,500 pilots in Kentucky, general aviation aircraft supports a variety of services vital to Kentucky businesses and communities, including business mobility and economic opportunity, agricultural spraying, police and fire protection, access to medical treatment, disaster relief, and a wide range of resources critical to those in isolated areas; and
- WHEREAS, Kentucky is home to 15 charter flight companies, 37 repair stations and 5 flight instruction schools, and Eastern Kentucky University offers a four-year program for both aviation administration and professional pilot degrees; and
- WHEREAS, The Medivac System is the fastest growing segment of general aviation in Kentucky, with 25 Medivac rotor and fixed-wing aircraft located in 25 different counties, responsible for saving hundreds of lives every year; and
- WHEREAS, There are 143 private heliports throughout Kentucky, located near hospitals and commercial businesses; and
- WHEREAS, Many Kentucky communities depend heavily on the continued flow of tourists who come to enjoy all the resources our Commonwealth offers, with airports located at Rough River, Kentucky Dam Village and Lake Barkley state parks; and
- WHEREAS, General aviation employs thousands of Kentuckians and accounts for \$1.75 billion in economic activity;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVEN L. BESHEAR, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim July 2010, as

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

in Kentucky.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort this 28^{th} day of June, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Ten and in the 219^{th} year of the Commønwealth.

STEVEN L. BESHEAR

GOVERNOR

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