

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania



Governor's Office

PROCLAMATION

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION DAY

April 19, 2017

WHEREAS, general aviation and community airports play a critical role in the lives of our citizens, businesses, and farms; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania 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 airports in the state contribute more than \$23.6 billion in economic impact each year; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania has 117 general aviation facilities, serving 17,049 pilots and 8,504 active general aviation aircraft; and

WHEREAS, general aviation airports support 304,500 jobs across the state and sustain a payroll of over \$9.2 billion; and

WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports Pennsylvania's economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare services, law-enforcement, firefighting, and disaster relief;

WHEREAS, the nation's aviation infrastructure represents an important public benefit and Congressional oversight should be in place to ensure stable funding of this system.

THEREFORE, I, Tom Wolf, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim April 19, 2017, as GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION DAY. I encourage all residents to recognize the value and importance of general aviation and the important role it plays in our communities.



GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, this fifth day of April two thousand seventeen, the year of the commonwealth the two hundred forty-first.

Tom Wolf
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Governor