



CITY OF ANACORTES PROCLAMATION

General Aviation Appreciation Month

WHEREAS the City of Anacortes, in the state of Washington, has a significant interest in the continued vitality of general aviation, aircraft manufacturing, aviation educational institutions, aviation organizations and community airports; and

WHEREAS general aviation and the Anacortes Airport have an immense economic impact on Anacortes; and

WHEREAS Washington State has 123 public use airports serving 18,753 pilots and 7,249 general aviation aircraft; and

WHEREAS according to the Aviation Economic Impact Study, airports in Washington support 248,000 jobs, a payroll of \$15.3 billion and \$50.9 billion in economic activity; and

WHEREAS according to the Merge Global report general aviation in Washington for \$3.1 billion in economic impact and supports 7,615 jobs in the state of Washington within a 25 mile radius of Anacortes, general aviation has a local economic impact of over \$125 million and supports over 1800 jobs; and

WHEREAS the City of Anacortes and the state of Washington have a significant interest in the continued vitality of general aviation as a resource that drives economic growth for our community's farms, and sustains critical services such as medical care and disaster relief.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Laurie Gere, Mayor of the City of Anacortes, do hereby proclaim June 2017 as

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in the City of Anacortes, and invite all citizens to recognize this occasion.

Signed this 5th day of June 2017.

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Laurie Gere, Mayor