

# Proclamation

CITY OF BUCKEYE, ARIZONA

**WHEREAS**, the city of Buckeye, Arizona 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 Buckeye Municipal Airport contribute to the economic prosperity of the City of Buckeye; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2021 Arizona Aviation Economic Impact Study found that general aviation airports in the state support an annual economic impact of \$3.3 billion; in addition, state airports overall support more than 386,000 jobs, and a total payroll of over \$20.4 billion; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the FAA, the state has 78 general aviation airports. These airports serve more than 26,000 pilots and 7,800 registered aircraft; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the FAA, the state is home to 155 repair stations, 24 FAA-approved pilot schools, almost 8,000 student pilots, and almost 5,000 flight instructors; and

**WHEREAS**, general aviation not only supports Arizona's economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare services, law enforcement, firefighting and disaster relief, investments in sustainable fuels and technologies, and investments in innovative experimental technology like Vertical Takeoff and Landing vehicles, and by transporting business travelers to their destinations quickly and safely; and

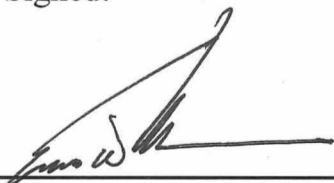
**WHEREAS**, the United States faces a shortage of aviation professionals, leaders should invest in this critical infrastructure to ensure future economic growth and our next generation of aviation professionals and pilots.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN**, that I, Eric W. Orsborn, Mayor of the City of Buckeye, do hereby proclaim the month of **August 2023** as

## GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

in the city of Buckeye. Given under my hand in these free United States in the City of Buckeye on the 15th day of August, two thousand twenty-three, and to which I have caused the Great Seal of the City of Buckeye to be affixed.

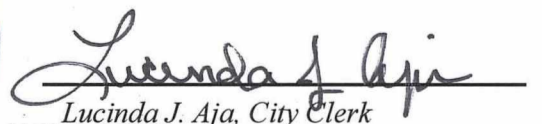
Signed:



Eric W. Orsborn, Mayor



Attest:



Lucinda J. Aja, City Clerk