

City of Canton  
Proclamation  
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**General Aviation Appreciation Month 2017**

WHEREAS: The City of Canton in the state of Georgia 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 Cherokee County Regional Airport have an immense economic impact on the City of Canton; and

WHEREAS: Georgia is home to 95 public-use airports, which serve 17,913 pilots and 5,659 active general aviation aircraft; and

WHEREAS: Georgia is home to 150 fixed-base operators, 125 repair stations, 119 heliports, 13 FAA-approved pilot schools, 3,048 flight students and 3,345 flight instructors; and

WHEREAS: General aviation in Georgia contributes over \$1.2 billion; and

WHEREAS: General aviation not only supports Georgia's economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare services, law enforcement, firefighting and disaster relief, and by transporting business travelers to their destinations quickly and safely; and

WHEREAS: The nation's aviation infrastructure represents an important public benefit, and Congressional oversight should be in place of this system to ensure that it remains a public system and serves communities of all sizes.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Gene Hobgood, Mayor of the City of Canton, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Canton and declare *November* as **GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH** in the City of Canton.

Proclaimed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017.

  
Gene Hobgood, Mayor