City of Chamberlain General Aviation Appreciation Month 2020

WHEREAS, the City of Chamberlain in the state of South Dakota 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 Chamberlain Municipal Airport have an immense economic impact on the City of Chamberlain; and

WHEREAS, general aviation airports in the state of South Dakota support over \$791 million in total economic output; and

WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports Chamberlain'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 by transporting business travelers to their destinations quickly and safely; and

WHEREAS, these aircraft and our network of airports represent a national 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; and

WHEREAS, general aviation has been deeply impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, causing an impact on operations, jobs, and dependent industries, sectors and communities; and

WHEREAS, general aviation stands to be at the forefront of the overall economic recovery; 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; and

NOW THEREFORE, I, Chad Mutziger, Mayor of the City of Chamberlain, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic asset to the City of Chamberlain and declare November as

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH in the City of Chamberlain.

> In witness whereof, I have hereunto placed my hand and caused the seal of the City of Chamberlain To be affixed this 2nd day of November, 2020.

Chad Mutziger Mayor City of Chamberlain

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