

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

**CITY OF CHARLESTON**

**PROCLAMATION**

**By the Mayor**

**WHEREAS:** General Aviation and local airports play a critical role in the lives of our citizens, businesses, communities, and the State of West Virginia; and

**WHEREAS:** General Aviation benefits West Virginia through corporate, private, charter, and air taxi travel; shipping and express air freight; firefighting; public safety and law enforcement; weather and traffic reporting; and recreation and tourism; and

**WHEREAS:** General Aviation plays a vital role in the State's response to natural disasters, medical emergencies, search and rescue operations, and a wide range of critical resources; and

**WHEREAS:** West Virginia has a significant interest in continued vitality of General Aviation, the aerospace industry, West Virginia airports, aircraft manufacturing and repair stations, and aviation education; and

**WHEREAS:** West Virginia airports provide access for businesses and tourists to isolated areas, enabling businesses to remain part of the Nation's Air Transportation System and connected to the world's global marketplace ; and

**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; and

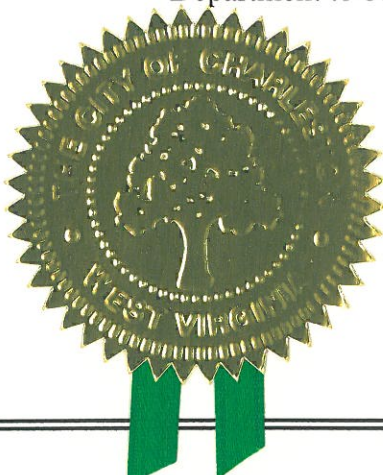
**WHEREAS:** The use of General Aviation by businesses and farms in West Virginia is directly tied to the future growth and prosperity of the State.

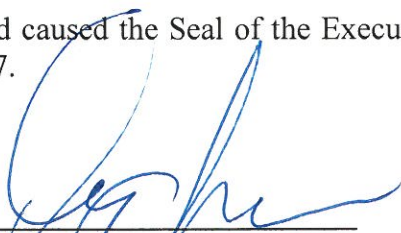
**NOW THEREFORE, I, Danny Jones, Mayor of the City of Charleston, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2017 as**

**GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH**

in Charleston, West Virginia

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October 2017.**



  
**DANNY JONES, MAYOR**