





NEW HAMPSHIRE GENERAL AVIATION PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, General Aviation and Community Airports play a critical role in the lives of our citizens, as well as in the operation of our businesses and farms; and

WHEREAS, The state of New Hampshire has a significant interest in the continued vitality of general aviation, aerospace, aircraft manufacturing, educational institutions, aviation organizations, community airports and airport operators; and

WHEREAS, New Hampshire's airport system includes 25 public-use airports serving 3,691 pilots and 1,067 registered aircraft in New Hampshire. According to the New Hampshire Department of Transportation, there are 107 registered airports, heliports, and seaplane bases throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, According to a 2011 FAA study, New Hampshire's aviation system supports more than 24,000 jobs in the state, resulting in a payroll of \$776 million; and

WHEREAS, Aviation related jobs equal 3% of the total jobs in New Hampshire; and

WHEREAS, General Aviation accounted for \$639 million in total impact, or \$499 per capita; and

WHEREAS, General Aviation plays a vital role in the State's response to emergencies and natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, Organizations like the Granite State Airport Manager's Association, New Hampshire Pilot's Association, the Alliance for Aviation Across America, National Business Aviation Association, National Association of State Aviation Officials, Aircraft Owners and Pilot's Association and National Air Transportation Association recognize and promote the interests and importance of aviation in New Hampshire and throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, New Hampshire is home to 11 charter flight companies, 23 airport repair stations, and one flight school. In addition, there are 17 fixed-based operators in the state; and

WHEREAS, Many communities in New Hampshire depend heavily on General Aviation and Community Airports for the continued flow of commerce, tourists and visitors to our State,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Claremont proclaims General Aviation a vital strategic resource to the State of New Hampshire and declares March to be General Aviation Appreciation Month.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Claremont, New Hampshire, to be affixed on this Eleventh day of March, in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen.

James C. Neilsen, IV

Mayor