

**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Coeur d'Alene, in the state of Idaho, 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 Coeur d'Alene Airport have an immense economic impact on Coeur d'Alene; and

**WHEREAS**, general aviation not only supports Idaho'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 safety; and

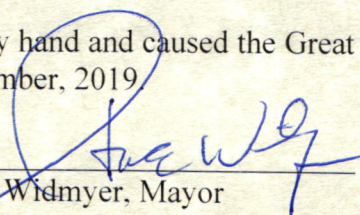
**WHEREAS**, the United States faces a shortage of aviation professionals, with an estimated need of 212,000 pilots in North America over the next 20 years, and general aviation serves as a pipeline for those seeking careers in aviation; and

**WHEREAS**, the nation's aviation infrastructure represents an important public benefit, and Congressional oversight should be in place to ensure it remains a public system and serves communities of all sizes; and

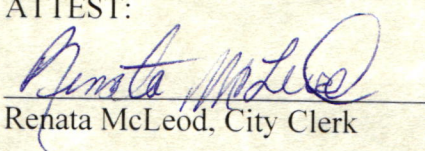
**NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVE WIDMYER**, Mayor of the City of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Coeur d'Alene and declare the month of November, 2019 to be

**GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of Coeur d'Alene to be affixed this 18th day of November, 2019.

  
Steve Widmyer, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Renata McLeod, City Clerk

