

## Office of the Mayor

City of Columbus

## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor of the City of Columbus, Ohio has the responsibility to recognize occasions of outstanding significance; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbus has a significant interest in the continued vitality of General Aviation, Aerospace, aircraft manufacturing, educational institutions and aviation organizations and its community airports and operators; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the Ohio Department of Transportation, Office of Aviation, the state has a total of 150 public-use airports and 7,800 registered aircraft. According to the FAA, these airports serve 15,322 pilots; and

WHEREAS, according to the Ohio Airports Economic Impact Study, general aviation airports in Ohio contribute more than \$1.8 billion to the state's economy; 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

WHEREAS, many communities in Ohio depend heavily on General Aviation and Community Airports for the continued flow of commerce, tourists and visitors to our state.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Andrew J. Ginther, Mayor of the City of Columbus, Ohio, do hereby proclaim the month of December 2018 as:

## General Aviation Appreciation Month

in Columbus, and urge all members of our community to join in recognition of this significant occasion.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the Mayor of the City of Columbus, Ohio, to be hereto affixed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December 2018.

Andrew J. Ginther Mayor