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## MARYLAND



## **PROCLAMATION**

### Maryland General Aviation Appreciation Month

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

WHEREAS: A 2013 Maryland Economic Impact of Airports Study found that the general aviation airports in Maryland supports more than \$704 million in business-generated revenue; and

WHEREAS: The State of Maryland has 35 public-use general aviation airports, serving 7,782 pilots and 2,774 general aviation aircraft. General Aviation supports 6,317 jobs across the state; and

WHEREAS: general aviation plays a vital role in the state's response to emergencies and natural disasters. Rescue operations such as air ambulance transports by fixed wing and rotor craft, in addition to police, warden, and mail services routinely utilize general aviation to support daily operations and communication; and

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

Maryland is home to 24 repair stations, 11 FAA-approved flight schools and 22 fixed based WHEREAS: operators in the state; and

NOW THEREFORE, I, Robert C. Willey, Mayor of the Town of Easton, Maryland do hereby proclaim September 2015 as

#### General Aviation and Community Airport Month

In Maryland, and do commend this celebration to all of our citizens.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town of Easton, Maryland to be affixed this twenty fourth day of August in the year of our Lord two thousand and fifteen.

Cobert C. Willey

SEAL:

Kathy M. Ruf, Town Clerk

WHEREAS: