

# Office of the Mayor City of Faribault Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, the City of Faribault in the state of Minnesota 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 Faribault Municipal Airport-Liz Wall Strohfus Field have an immense economic impact on the City of Faribault; and

**WHEREAS**, Minnesota is home to 135 public system airports, which serve 12,890 pilots and 5,679 registered and airworthy aircraft; and

**WHEREAS**, Minnesota is home to 109 fixed-base operators, 50 repair stations, 83 heliports, 12 FAA-approved pilot schools, 2,805 student pilots and 2,714 flight instructors; and

**WHEREAS**, general aviation in Minnesota contributes over \$5.3 billion to the state's total economic output; and

**WHEREAS**, general aviation not only supports Minnesota'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 safely; and

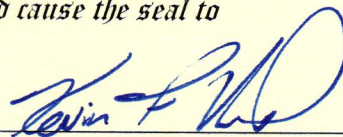
**WHEREAS**, the nation's aviation infrastructure represents an important public benefit, and Congressional oversight should be in place of this system to ensure that it remains a public system and serves communities of all sizes;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Kevin Voracek, Mayor of the City of Faribault, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Faribault and declare November as

## **GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH**

*In witness whereof I have hereunto  
Set my hand and cause the seal to  
be affixed*

Mayor



Date

November 12, 2019