

## CITY OF GALLUP OFFICE OF THE MAYOR STATE OF NEW MEXICO

## Proclamation

WHEREAS: the City of Gallup in the state of New Mexico 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 Gallup Municipal Airport have an immense economic impact on the

City of Gallup; and

WHEREAS: New Mexico is home to 61 public-use airports, which serve 4.294 pilots and 2.238 active

general aviation aircraft: and

WHEREAS: New Mexico is home to 43 fixed-base operators, 23 repair stations, 34 heliports, 10 FAA-

approved pilot schools, 1,076 flight students and 617 flight instructors; and

WHEREAS: on-airport output in New Mexico contributes over \$2.3 billion to the economy; and

WHEREAS: general aviation not only supports New Mexico'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,** Mayor Jackie McKinney and City Councilors Linda Garcia, Allan Landavazo, Yogash Kumar and Fran Palochak do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Gallup and declare September as:

## **GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH**

in the City of Gallup

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 24th day of August, 2018.



Jackie McKinney, Mayor CITY OF GALLUP