CITY OF GRAND HAVEN GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN

PROCLAMATION General Aviation Appreciation Month 2018

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Haven in the state of Michigan 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 Grand Haven Memorial Airpark have an economic impact on the City of Grand Haven; and,

WHEREAS, Michigan is home to 211 general aviation airports, which serve 13,774 pilots and 5,366 active general aviation aircraft; and,

WHEREAS, Michigan is home to 116 fixed-base operators, 89 repair stations, 105 heliports, 9 FAA-approved pilot schools, 2,466 flight students and 2,679 flight instructors; and,

WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports Michigan'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,

NOW THEREFORE, I, Geri McCaleb, Mayor of the City of Grand Haven, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Grand Haven and declare September as **GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH** in the City of Grand Haven.

Geri McCaleb, Mayor September 17, 2018