

Grand Junction

State of Colorado

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, *the City of Grand Junction in the state of Colorado 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 local airports have an immense economic impact on the City of Grand Junction; and*

WHEREAS, *Colorado is home to 61 public-use airports, which serve 17,435 pilots and 5,412 active general aviation aircraft; and*

WHEREAS, *Colorado is home to 70 fixed-based operators, 71 repair stations, 447 heliports, 9 FAA-approved pilot schools, 2,817 flight students and 3,528 flight instructors; and*

WHEREAS, *general aviation in Colorado contributes over \$2.4 billion to the state's economy annually; and*

WHEREAS, *general aviation not only supports Colorado's economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare services, law-enforcement, firefighting, 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.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phyllis Norris, *by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2015 as*

"GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH"

in the City of Grand Junction and urge all the citizens of the City to recognize general aviation as a vital strategic resource.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 1st day of June 2015.

Phyllis Norris
Mayor

