PROCLAMATION General Aviation Appreciation Month 2018

WHEREAS, the City of Green Bay, Wisconsin 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 Green Bay-Austin Straubel International Airport have an immense economic impact on the City of Green Bay; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin is home to 119 public-use general aviation airports, which serve 9,186 pilots and 5,316 active general aviation aircraft; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin is home to 86 fixed-base operators, 51 repair stations, 106 heliports, 4 FAA-approved pilot schools, 2,035 flight students and 1,650 flight instructors; and

WHEREAS, general aviation in Wisconsin contributes over \$694 million to the state's annual economic impact; and

WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports Wisconsin'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, James J. Schmitt, Mayor of the City of Green Bay, do hereby proclaim that general aviation is a vital strategic resource to the City of Green Bay and proclaim the month of July 2018 as:

"GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH"

in the City of Green Bay.

Dated at Green Bay, Wisconsin this 1st day of July 2018

Pames J. Schmitt

