Resolution 2014- 19

Recognition of the Huntingburg Regional Airport and General Aviation Appreciation Month

WHEREAS: General aviation and community airports play a vital role in the lives of our citizens, while also supporting Indiana's commerce, industry, and agribusiness; and

WHEREAS: The state of Indiana has a significant interest in the continued vitality of general aviation, aerospace, aircraft manufacturing, educational institutions and aviation organizations and community airports and airport operators; and

WHEREAS: Indiana is home to 114 public use airports that serve 10,621 pilots and 3,151 active general aviation aircraft. Additionally, the state is home to 68 fixed-based operators, 67 repair stations and 4 flight schools; and

WHEREAS: General aviation contributes an annual economic impact of \$5.88 billion to Indiana's economy which supports 32,000 jobs; and locally where the Huntingburg Regional Airport has an annual economic impact of over \$500 million; and

WHEREAS: Aviation not only support Indiana's economy, it improves our overall quality of life by providing essential emergency medical transportation, enhancing public safety by assisting law enforcement, and transporting business and leisure travelers to their destinations quickly and safely; and

WHEREAS: The nation's aviation infrastructure represents an important, public benefit, and direct, Congressional oversight should be in place to ensure stable funding of this system; and

THEREFORE, I, Mayor Dennis Spinner of Huntingburg, Indiana, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Huntingburg, Dubois County, the Region and declare June to be General Aviation Appreciation Month.

Passed and Adopted by the Board of the Huntingburg Common Council, this 25th day of June, 2014.

Huntingburg Common Council