



## Office of the Mayor

### *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, the City of Jacksonville, in the state of Illinois, 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 Jacksonville Municipal Airport have an immense economic impact on Illinois; and

**WHEREAS**, general aviation not only supports Illinois'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 to ensure stable funding of this system,

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANDY EZARD**, Mayor of the City of Jacksonville, Illinois, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Jacksonville and declare July as **GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH** in the City of Jacksonville.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Jacksonville to be affixed this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July 2017.



Andy Ezard  
Mayor