

Office of the Mayor
Lake Charles, Louisiana

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the City of Lake Charles in the state of Louisiana 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 Lake Charles Regional Airport have an immense economic impact on the City of Lake Charles; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana is home to 63 public-use airports, which serve 5,475 pilots and 2, 807 active general aviation aircraft; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana is home to 53 fixed-base operators, 33 repair stations, 228 heliports, 6 FAA-approved pilot schools, 1,401 flight students and 913 flight instructors; and

WHEREAS, general aviation in Louisiana contributes more than \$966 million to the state's economy annually; and

WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports Louisiana'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, NICHOLAS E. HUNTER, Mayor of the City of Lake Charles, in the sovereign State of Louisiana, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM the month of September, 2018 as

General Aviation Appreciation Month

in the City of that the City of Lake Charles.



*In Witness Whereof, I have
hereunto set my hand and caused to be
affixed the official seal of the City of
Lake Charles on this*

Date September 13, 2018

Mayor of Lake Charles