

Proclamation

WHEREAS: the City of Macomb, 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 Macomb Municipal Airport have an immense economic impact on Macomb; and

WHEREAS: in 1996, 2008 and 2017, Macomb received the *General Aviation Airport of the Year* award from the Illinois Department of Transportation, in recognition of their accomplishments throughout the year and their strong commitment to customer safety and satisfaction; and

WHEREAS: the Illinois Department of Transportation, Aeronautics Division, Statistical Analysis of Economic Impact's most recent study reveals that the Macomb Airport's local economic impact is \$2.6 million annually; and

WHEREAS: general aviation not only supports the local Macomb economy, it improves the 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.

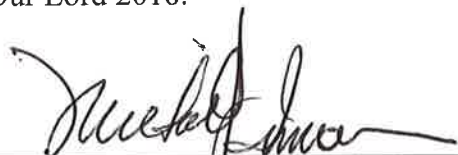
NOW THEREFORE, I, Michael J. Inman, Mayor of the City of Macomb, Illinois do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Macomb and declare the month of June 2018 as:

General Aviation Appreciation Month in Macomb

and urge all citizens to join me in recognizing the important role of aviation in our local communities.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Macomb Illinois, to be affixed this 18th day in the month of June, in the Year of Our Lord 2018.



Mayor