

Proclamation

“Washington General Aviation Appreciation Month” June 2018

WHEREAS, the City of Pasco, Washington, 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 Pasco Airport have an immense economic impact on the Tri-Cities; and

WHEREAS, Pasco has a special connection to air history including the first commercial air mail flight over 90 years ago; service to country as a Naval Air Station in World War II; and long-time host to the annual Tri-City Water Follies Airshow; and

WHEREAS, the Pasco Airport is the primary airport in the Tri-Cities and region for training of new pilots via long-time fixed base operator and general aviation supporter, Bergstrom Aircraft, as well as numerous aviation enthusiasts; and

WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports Washington’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 and recreational 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, Matt Watkins, Mayor of the City of Pasco, Washington, do hereby proclaim June 2018 as,

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and hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Pasco and State of Washington.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Pasco, State of Washington, to be affixed this 30th day of May 2018.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matt Watkins".

Matt Watkins, Mayor
City of Pasco