

PROCLAMATION

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH 2019

WHEREAS, the Borough of Pottstown in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 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 Pottstown Municipal Airport have an immense economic impact on the Borough of Pottstown; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is home to 123 licensed, public general aviation airports, which serve 15,704 pilots and 6,366 registered aircraft; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is home to 76 fixed-base operators, 90 repair stations, 278 heliports, 24 FAA-approved pilot schools, 4,109 student pilots and 2,848 flight instructors; and

WHEREAS, general aviation airports in Pennsylvania contribute over \$1.3 billion in economic impact each year; and

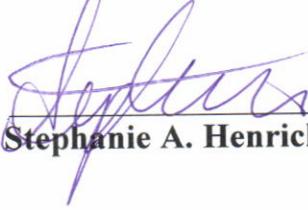
WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports Pennsylvania's economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare services, law enforcement, firefighting and disaster relief, and by transporting business travelers to their destinations quickly and safely; and

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, Stephanie Henrick, Mayor of the Borough of Pottstown, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the Borough of Pottstown and declare May 2019 as GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH in the Borough of Pottstown.

In witness whereof, I have set therefore my hand and the executive seal of this Borough on this 8th day of May 2019.




Stephanie A. Henrick, Mayor