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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, general aviation and community airports play a critical role in the lives of our residents, as well as in the operation of our businesses, industry, ranches, and farms; and

WHEREAS, the state of Washington has a significant interest in the continued vitality of general aviation, aerospace, aircraft manufacturing, educational institutions, aviation organizations, community airports, and airport operators; and

WHEREAS, Washington state has 123 public-use general aviation airports serving 18,753 pilots and 7,249 active general aviation aircraft; and

WHEREAS, public use airports support 248,500 jobs, \$15.3 billion in wages, and \$50.9 billion in total economic activity that contributes more than \$3.1 billion to the state's general economy; 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 travelers to their destinations quickly and safely; and

WHEREAS, the nation's aviation infrastructure represents an important, public benefit, and direct, Congressional oversight is necessary to ensure stable funding of this system; and

WHEREAS, the Pullman-Moscow Regional Airport—which is in the midst of an FAA-supported major runway realignment project that will benefit general aviation pilots, business aviation, commercial aviation, and all those passengers who use those services—is home to fixed-based operator Inter-State Aviation serving general aviation pilots and charters.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Glenn A. Johnson, Mayor of the city of Pullman, do hereby proclaim June 2016 as

General Aviation Appreciation Month

in Pullman and I call upon all residents to recognize the value of general aviation a vital strategic resource to our community and the region served by Pullman-Moscow Regional Airport.

Mayor Glenn A. Johnson