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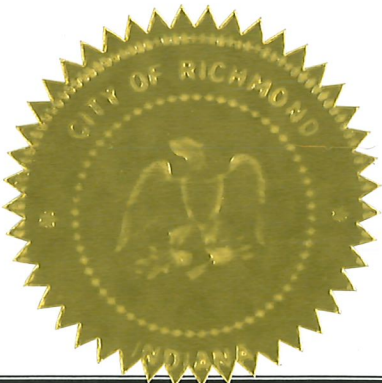
Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** Richmond, in the state of Indiana, has a significant interest in the continued vitality of general aviation, aircraft manufacturing, aviation educational institutions, aviation organizations and community airports. General aviation and the Richmond Municipal Airport have a significant economic impact on the City of Richmond; and
- WHEREAS,** The 2022 Indiana State Aviation Economic Impact Study found that general aviation airports in the state support an annual economic impact of over \$1.4 billion, over 11,000 jobs and a total payroll of over \$548 million. According to the FAA, the state has 127 public-use airports serving general aviation. These airports serve almost 13,000 pilots and almost 5,000 aircraft; and
- WHEREAS,** According to the FAA, the state is home to 51 repair stations, 19 FAA-approved pilot schools, over 4,500 student pilots and over 2,000 flight instructors; and
- WHEREAS,** General aviation not only supports Indiana's economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare services, law enforcement, firefighting and disaster relief, investments in sustainable fuels and technologies, and investments in innovative experimental technology like Vertical Takeoff and Landing vehicles, and by transporting business travelers to their destinations quickly and safely; and
- WHEREAS,** The United States faces a shortage of aviation professionals, leaders should invest in this critical infrastructure to ensure future economic growth and our next generation of aviation professionals and pilots; and


NOW THEREFORE, I, David M. Snow, Mayor of the City of Richmond do hereby proclaim April 2023 as:

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

and call upon all citizens to join me in thanking our local Richmond Municipal Airport and aviation pilots and professionals statewide, as we celebrate the importance of general aviation in our great city, which has provided our community with a vital significant interest within our economy.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Richmond, Indiana, to be affixed this Thirteenth Day of March, Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.


David M. Snow
Mayor, City of Richmond