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Proclamation

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport in the State of Louisiana 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 Shreveport Downtown Airport have an immense economic impact on the City of Shreveport; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana is home to 63 public-use airports, which serve 5,475 pilots and 2,807 active general aviation aircraft; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana is home to 53 fixed-based operators, 33 repair stations, 228 heliports, 6 FAA-approved pilot schools, 1,401 flight students, and 913 flight instructors; and

WHEREAS, general aviation airports in Louisiana contribute over \$966 million to the state's economy annually; and

WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports Louisiana's economy, but it also 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, Ollie S. Tyler, *Mayor* of the City of Shreveport, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Shreveport and declare the **month of August 2018**, as

General Aviation Appreciation Month

In the City of Shreveport and call this observance to the attention of our citizens.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Shreveport to be affixed.



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