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PROCLAMATION

General Aviation Appreciation Month 2017

WHEREAS, the City of Stevens Point in the State of Wisconsin 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 Stevens Point Municipal Airport have an immense economic impact on the City of Stevens Point; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin is home to 119 public-use airports, which serve 9,278 pilots and 4,485 active general aviation aircraft; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin is home to 85 fixed-base operators, 48 repair stations, 574 heliports, 7 FAA-approved pilot schools, 1,587 flight students and 1,577 flight instructors; and

WHEREAS, general aviation airports in Wisconsin contributes over \$694 million to the state's annual economic impact; and

WHEREAS; "The World's Greatest Aviation Celebration" will take place in Wisconsin on July 24-30, 2017, as people from across the world converge to take part in the Experimental Aircraft Association's "AirVenture Oshkosh"; and

WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports Wisconsin'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 to ensure stable funding of this system;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mike Wiza, Mayor of the City of Stevens Point, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Stevens Point and declare February 2017 as



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Stevens Point to be affixed, this first day of February, in the year of our Lord, two thousand seventeen.

Mike Wiza, Mayor

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