

Office of the Mayor Urbana, Ohio

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: General aviation and community airports play a critical role in the lives of our

citizens, as well as in the operation of our businesses and farms; and

WHEREAS: the state of Ohio has a significant interest in the continued vitality of General

Aviation, Aerospace, aircraft manufacturing, educational institutions and aviation organizations and community airports and airport operators; and

WHEREAS: according to the Ohio Department of Transportation, Office of Aviation, the

state has a total of 150 public-use airports and 7,800 registered aircraft.

According to the FAA, these airports serve 15,322 pilots; and

WHEREAS: according to the Ohio Airports Economic Impact Study, general aviation

airports in Ohio contribute more than \$1.8 billion to the state's economy; and

WHEREAS: the nation's aviation infrastructure represents an important public benefit, and

Congressional oversight should be in place to ensure it remains a public

system and serves communities of all sizes; and

WHEREAS: many communities in Ohio depend heavily on General Aviation and

Community Airports for the continued flow of commerce, tourists and visitors

to our state.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Bean, Mayor of the City of Urbana, Ohio do hereby recognize December, 2018 as, "General Aviation Appreciation Month" throughout Ohio, and encourage all Ohioans to join in its observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Urbana, Ohio to be affixed this 4th day of December 2018.

Bill Bean, Mayor

City of Urbana