

**A PROCLAMATION**  
**Recognizing**  
**General Aviation Appreciation Month**  
**March 2019**  
**By Mayor Steve Dale**  
**Wahpeton, North Dakota**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Wahpeton in the state of North Dakota 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 Harry Stern Airport have an immense economic impact on the City of Wahpeton; and

**WHEREAS**, North Dakota is home to 89 public-use airports, which serve approximately 3,600 pilots and about 2,000 registered aircraft; and

**WHEREAS**, North Dakota is home to 53 fixed-base operators, 12 repair stations, 17 heliports, 1 FAA-approved pilot schools, 856 student pilots and 496 flight instructors; and

**WHEREAS**, general aviation airports in North Dakota support more than \$121 million in total economic output; and

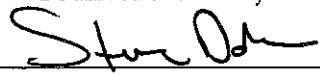
**WHEREAS**, general aviation not only supports North Dakota's economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare services, law enforcement, firefighting and disaster relief, and by transporting business travelers to their destinations quickly and safely; and

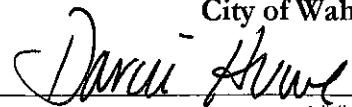
**WHEREAS**, the nation's aviation infrastructure represents an important public benefit, and Congressional oversight should be in place of this system to ensure that it remains a public system and serves communities of all sizes;

**NOW THEREFORE, I, Mayor Steve Dale**, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Wahpeton, on behalf of the entire City Council and the Wahpeton community, do hereby proclaim March 2019 **GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH** in the City of Wahpeton and beyond.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set forth my hand  
And caused the Seal of the City of Wahpeton, North Dakota to  
Be affixed this 4<sup>th</sup> Day of March, 2019

  
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Steve Dale, Mayor  
City of Wahpeton

  
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ATTEST:  
Darcie Huwe, City Auditor