

# Mayor's Proclamation

CITY OF WASHINGTON, MISSOURI

## General Aviation Appreciation Month April, 2019

*WHEREAS*, the City of Washington, in the State of Missouri 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 Washington Regional Airport have an immense economic impact on the City of Washington; and

*WHEREAS*, Missouri is home to 122 public-use airports, which serve 8,825 pilots and 3,985 active general aviation aircraft; and

*WHEREAS*, Missouri is home to 93 fixed-base operators, 58 repair stations, 123 heliports, 7 FAA-approved pilot schools, 1,932 flight students and 1,604 flight instructors; and

*WHEREAS*, general aviation airports in Missouri support an economic impact of over \$857 million annually; and

*WHEREAS*, general aviation not only supports Missouri'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.

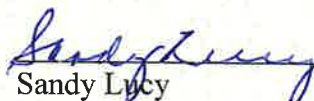
*NOW, THEREFORE*, I Sandy Lucy, Mayor of the City of Washington, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Washington and declare April as

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in Washington, Missouri.



*In Witness Whereof* I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of Washington, Missouri, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2019.

  
Sandy Lucy  
Mayor