

PROCLAMATION

of

The City of Wichita, Kansas Founded in 1870

Whereas, the City of Wichita in the State of Kansas 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 Wichita Dwight D. Eisenhower National Airport have an immense economic impact on the City of Wichita; and

Whereas, general aviation and community airports are important to Kansas' businesses-supporting commerce, attracting visitors and contributing more than 13.5 billion annually to the state's economy, directly and indirectly; and

Whereas, Kansas is home to approximately 140 public use airports who serve as the front door to their respective communities, provide emergency air ambulance access, and allow for economic development anywhere in the state; and

Whereas, general aviation not only supports Wichita'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, Be It Resolved, that I, Jeff Longwell, Mayor of the City of Wichita, Kansas, do hereby proclaim May 2017 as

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

May 2017



Jeff Longwell