

A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR & COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WINSLOW, ARIZONA PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF JUNE AS GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

WHEREAS, Winslow, in the State of Arizona, 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 Winslow-Lindbergh Regional Airport have a significant economic impact on the City of Winslow; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 Arizona Aviation Economic Impact Study found that airports in the state support an annual economic impact of over \$59.4 billion, over 386,000 jobs and a total payroll of over \$20.4 billion; and

WHEREAS, according to the FAA, the state has 78 public-use airports that serve over 25,000 pilots and over 7,800 registered aircraft; and

WHEREAS, according to the FAA, the state is home to 155 repair stations, 24 FAA-approved pilot schools, almost 8,000 student pilots and almost 5,000 flight instructors; and

WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports Arizona's economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare services, law enforcement, firefighting and disaster relief, investments in sustainable fuels and technologies, investments in innovative experimental technology like Vertical Takeoff and Landing vehicles and by transporting business travelers to their destinations quickly and safely; and

WHEREAS, the United States faces a shortage of aviation professionals and leaders should invest in this critical infrastructure to ensure future economic growth and our next generation of aviation professionals and pilots.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Council do hereby proclaim the month of June as **General Aviation Appreciation Month** in the City of Winslow and urge all residents to recognize how critical general aviation is to our economy, our community and our state.

DATED this 13th day of June, 2023.

Mayor