

**PROCLAMATION**  
**BOROUGH OF WOODBINE**  
**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**  
**GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Woodbine in the State of New Jersey 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 Woodbine Municipal Airport have an immense economic impact on the Borough of Woodbine; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the FAA, New Jersey has 43 public-use airports that serve 9,004 pilots and 2,379 active general aviation aircraft. According to the 2006 New Jersey State Airport System Plan, New Jersey's public use airports support more than 2.5 million general aviation operations each year; and

**WHEREAS**, FAA data shows that the state is home to 64 repair stations, 9 FAA-approved pilot schools, 1,885 student pilots, and 1,607 flight instructors. In addition, there are 34 fixed base operators in the state; and

**WHEREAS**, Woodbine Municipal Airport, being at the highest elevation in the County, serves as a staging area for the County of Cape May Emergency Management as well as by Atlantic City Electric in time of emergency preparedness; and

**WHEREAS**, general aviation not only supports New Jersey's economy by contributing jobs and generating revenue, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare services, law enforcement, firefighting and disaster relief, and by giving convenient travel opportunities to business and recreational travelers; 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, I, WILLIAM PIKOLYCKY**, Mayor of the Borough of Woodbine, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the Borough of Woodbine and declare May as **GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH** in the Borough of Woodbine.

  
WILLIAM PIKOLYCKY

MAYOR

*03 May, 2018*

