## City of Youngstown Proclamation Mayor John A. McNally

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WHEREAS:

General Aviation and community airports play a critical role in the lives of our citizens, as well in the operation of our business and farms. The State of Ohio has a significant interest in the continued vitality of General Aviation, Aerospace, aircraft, manufacturing, educational institutions and aviation organizations and community airports and airport operators; and

WHEREAS:

According to the 2014 Ohio Airports Economic Impact Study, general aviation airports in Ohio support 17,497 jobs and \$688 million in annual payroll. According to the same source, fractional aircraft companies, including NetJets, MaxFlight and Flight Operations employ more than 1,400 Ohio workers; and

WHEREAS:

According to the Ohio Department of Transportation, Office of Aviation, the State of Ohio has a total of 150 public-use general aviation airports. According to the FAA, these airports serve 15,586 pilots and 6,319 active general aviation aircraft. The 2014 Ohio Airports Economic Impact Study shows that general aviation airports in Ohio contribute more than \$1.8 billion to the state's economy; and

WHEREAS:

According to FAA data, Ohio is home to 137 repair stations, 19 FAA-approved pilot schools, 2,856 student pilots and 2,981 flight instructors. In addition, there are 122 fixed-base operators in the state, according to the AC-U-KWIK directory. According to the Helicopter Association International, there are 740 heliports in Ohio; and

WHEREAS:

Many communities in Ohio depend heavily on General Aviation and Community Airports for the continued flow of commerce, tourist and visitors to our state.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN A. MCNALLY, as Mayor of the City of Youngstown, Ohio do hereby proclaim December 2016

## "General Aviation Month"

in the City of Youngstown and encourage all citizens to join in its observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF

I have set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the City of Youngstown, Ohio, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2016.

MAYOR JOHN A. MCNALLY