

SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL



PROCLAMATION

PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF JULY 2011 AS
"GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH"

WHEREAS, general aviation and community airports play a critical role in the lives of our citizens, as well as in the operation of our businesses and farms; and

WHEREAS, Sussex County 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, Sussex County is home to two public use airports; and

WHEREAS, Sussex County's aviation industry contributes \$154 million yearly to the County's economy; and

WHEREAS, general aviation in the County sustains 1,048 jobs, both direct and induced, and contributes a total impact of over \$5.6 million to the economy; and

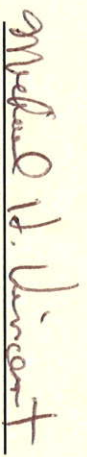
WHEREAS, general aviation plays a vital role in the County's response to emergencies and natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, Sussex County is home to the Delaware Technical and Community College Owens Campus Aviation Maintenance Training Program with plans to expand programs to incorporate both Power Plant and Avionics training; and

WHEREAS, many businesses in Sussex County depend heavily on general aviation and community airports for the continued flow of commerce, tourists and visitors to our County; and

WHEREAS, organizations like the National Business Aviation Association, National Association of State Aviation Officials, Alliance for Aviation Across America, the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association and National Air Transportation Association recognize and promote the interests and importance of aviation in Sussex County and throughout the world.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sussex County Council does hereby proclaim general aviation to be a vital resource to Sussex County and declares the month of July 2011 as "General Aviation Appreciation Month".



Michael H. Vincent
President

