



Proclamation

Office of the Mayor

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, the State of Idaho has significant interest in the continued vitality of General Aviation, Aerospace, aircraft manufacturing, educational institutions, aviation organizations, community airports and airport operators; and,

Whereas, in total, Idaho has 126 public-use airports, serving 5,900 pilots and 2,900 general aviation aircraft; and,

Whereas, according to the 2010 Idaho Airport System Plan, the economic impact of general aviation in Idaho is over \$426 million. The same report found that the total annual economic impact of aviation in Idaho is \$2.1 billion. Idaho airports and visitors who arrive by air are responsible for 4% of the state's estimated Gross Domestic Product (GDP); and,

Whereas, Idaho's general aviation airports create 4,096 jobs annually, with an estimated payroll of \$133 million; and,

Whereas, according to the Idaho Transportation Department, approximately 23,000 residents of Idaho owe their jobs to the aviation industry, representing 2.9% of all jobs in the state; and,

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

Whereas, General Aviation plays a vital role in the State's response to emergencies and natural disasters; and,

Whereas, Idaho is home to 46 charter flight companies, 28 repair stations, and 7 flight schools operating 22 aircraft and providing 58 jobs. In addition, there are 46 fixed-based operators in the state; and,

Whereas, many communities in Idaho depend heavily on General Aviation and Community Airports for the continued flow of commerce, tourists and visitors to our State.

Now Therefore, I, Tom Dale, Mayor of the City of Nampa, Idaho, do hereby proclaim General Aviation a vital strategic resource to the State of Idaho and declare June to be General Aviation Appreciation Month.

"General Aviation Appreciation Month"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the city of Nampa to be affixed this 5th day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand thirteen.

Tom Dale
Mayor, City of Nampa

