

# Proclamation

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 City of Pocatello has a significant interest in the continued vitality of general aviation, aerospace, aircraft manufacturing, educational institutions, aviation organizations, and community airports and airport operators; and

WHEREAS, according to the 2010 Idaho Airport System Plan, the annual 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; and Idaho airports and visitors who arrive by air are responsible for 4% of the State's estimated gross domestic product; 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

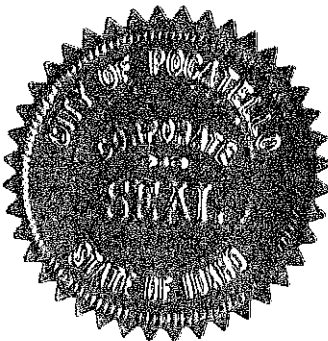
WHEREAS, general aviation plays a vital role in the State's response to emergencies and natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, many communities in Idaho depend heavily on general aviation and community airports for the continued flow of commerce, tourists and visitors.

NOW, THEREFORE, I BRIAN C. BLAD, Mayor of the City of Pocatello, do hereby proclaim June 2014 to be

## GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

in Pocatello and recognize the many contributions general aviation and the Pocatello Regional Airport make to our community and surrounding areas.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of our City to be affixed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of June, in the year two thousand and fourteen.

  
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BRIAN C. BLAD, MAYOR