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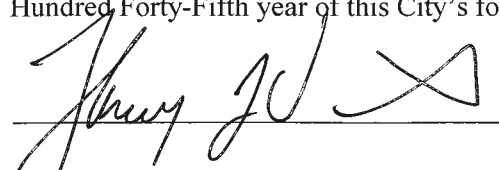
“GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION WEEK”

- WHEREAS, the city of Wisconsin Rapids in the state of Wisconsin 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 local airports, including South Wood County Airport, have an immense economic impact on the city of Wisconsin Rapids; and
- WHEREAS, Wisconsin is home to 131 public-use airports that serve 9,503 pilots and 5,694 active general aviation aircraft, with general aviation contributing an annual economic impact of \$694 million towards Wisconsin’s economy and supports 9,390 jobs; and
- WHEREAS, the state is home to 48 repair stations, 7 FAA-approved pilot schools, 1,610 student pilots and 1,604 flight instructors; and
- WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports Wisconsin’s economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare services, law-enforcement, firefighting, disaster relief, and transporting business travelers to their destinations quickly and safely; 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, Zachary J. Vruwink, Mayor of the City of Wisconsin Rapids, do hereby proclaim the week of July 27, 2014, as “General Aviation Appreciation Week” in the city of Wisconsin Rapids, and encourage residents to recognize general aviation as a vital strategic resource to the City of Wisconsin Rapids.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this Sixteenth day of June, in the year of our Lord, Two-Thousand and Fourteen, and in the One Hundred Forty-Fifth year of this City’s founding.

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Zachary J. Vruwink, Mayor

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