



# PROCLAMATION

## GENERAL AVIATION AND COMMUNITY AIRPORT MONTH SEPTEMBER 2014

**WHEREAS**, general aviation and community airports like the Frederick Municipal Airport (FDK) play a critical role in the economy of the state and in the lives of the citizens and businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Maryland and The City of Frederick have a significant interest in the continued vitality of the general aviation industry including aerospace businesses, aircraft maintenance and manufacturing, aviation educational programs, aviation organizations, community airports and airport operators; and

**WHEREAS**, a 2013 Maryland Economic Impact of Airports Study by the Maryland Aviation Administration found that the annual economic impact of general aviation in Maryland is \$551 million including \$111 million from the Frederick Municipal Airport; and

**WHEREAS**, Maryland has 36 public-use airports, serving 7,782 pilots and 2,774 general aviation aircraft. General Aviation supports 6,274 jobs across the state including 1,300 jobs supported from the activities at Frederick Municipal Airport; and

**WHEREAS**, general aviation plays a vital role in the State's response to emergencies and natural disasters including rescue operations such as air ambulance transports such as Trooper 3 based at FDK and additionally Police, Warden, and Mail services routinely utilize general aviation to support daily operations and communication; and

**WHEREAS**, Maryland is home to 22 fixed based operators, 13 charter flight companies, 26 repair stations, and 9 flight schools operating 71 aircraft and providing 112 jobs including Landmark Aviation, Frederick Flight Center, and Advanced Helicopter Concepts located at Frederick Municipal Airport; and

**WHEREAS**, Frederick Municipal Airport is a preferred corporate executive airport serving the Baltimore-Washington region with 110,000 aircraft operations annually including many from the more than 350 businesses using the airport each year.

**NOW THEREFORE, I, Randy McClement, Mayor of Frederick, Maryland do hereby proclaim General Aviation a vital strategic resource to the State of Maryland and declare the month of September 2014 to be **General Aviation and Community Airport Month** in The City of Frederick.**

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**Mayor Randy McClement**

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