

Mayoral Proclamation

To all residents of the Village of Bellaire, in the State of Michigan, be it hereby known that:

Whereas the Village of Bellaire in the State of Michigan 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 Antrim County Airport have an immense economic impact on the Village of Bellaire; and;

Whereas Michigan is home to 215 public use airports, which serve 14,112 pilots and 5,663 active general aviation aircraft; and;

Whereas Michigan is home to 121 fixed based operators, 97 repair stations, 489 heliports, 7 FAA approved pilot schools, 2,480 flight students and 2,445 flight instructors; and;

Whereas general aviation in Michigan contributes over \$5.2 billion to the state's economy annually and supports over 167,000 jobs; and;

Whereas general aviation not only supports Michigan's economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting medical and healthcare services, law enforcement, firefighting and disaster relief, and by 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.

Therefore, We, the Village Council of the Village of Bellaire, to hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the Village of Bellaire and declare December 2014 to be General Aviation Appreciation Month.

Signed,



David Schulz, President

Witnessed,



Lori Luckett, Village Clerk