

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, general aviation and airports play critical roles in the lives of our citizens, as well as in the operation of our businesses and farms; and

**WHEREAS**, the city of Muskogee has a significant interest in the continued vitality of general aviation, aircraft manufacturing, aviation, educational institutions, aviation organizations and airports; and

**WHEREAS**, many communities in Oklahoma depend heavily on their airports and general aviation for the continued flow of commerce, tourism and essential services; and

**WHEREAS**, general aviation is vital to many Oklahoma and Muskogee businesses that depend on it to increase productivity, reach far-off markets, and to move personnel, equipment and products; and


**WHEREAS**, aviation in Oklahoma contributes more than \$1.2 billion to our state's economy annually; and

**WHEREAS**, general aviation also improves our citizens' quality of life by providing critical services such as healthcare services, law enforcement, firefighting, and disaster relief services; and

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, JOHN ROBERT COBURN, Mayor, do hereby proclaim April 2016 as

## **AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH**

Given under my hand in the City of Muskogee, on this first day of April twenty-sixteen, and to which I have caused the Seal of Muskogee, Oklahoma to be affixed and have made this proclamation public.



Bob Coburn, Mayor