

CITY OF ASHEVILLE

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to celebrate the continued vitality of aviation in North Carolina, aircraft manufacturing, aviation educational institutions, aviation organizations, and community, commercial, and military airports; and

WHEREAS, the Asheville Regional Airport has an economic impact of \$555 million and supports 1,680 local jobs and over \$39 million in payroll income; and

WHEREAS, according to the North Carolina Department of Transportation, the annual impact of airports in North Carolina is \$31 billion with 123,400 aviation related jobs; and airports generate \$913 million in direct government revenue statewide; and

WHEREAS, commercial and general aviation not only supports Asheville's economy, it may improve our quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare services, law enforcement, disaster relief, and by transporting residents and visitors to their destinations quickly and safely.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Esther E. Manheimer, Mayor of the City of Asheville, do hereby proclaim August 2016 as

Aviation Appreciation Month

in the City of Asheville, and commend its observance to all citizens.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Asheville, North Carolina, to be affixed this 1st day of August 2016.



Esther E. Manheimer

ESTHER E. MANHEIMER
MAYOR