



CITY OF GALLUP
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
STATE OF NEW MEXICO

Proclamation

General Aviation Appreciation Month 2016

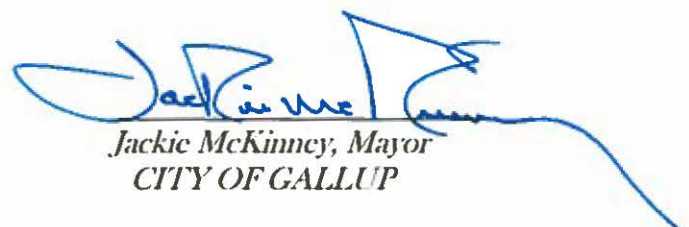
- WHEREAS:** the City of Gallup in the state of New Mexico has a significant interest in the continued vitality of general aviation, aircraft manufacturing, aviation educational institutions, aviation organizations and community airports; and
- WHEREAS:** general aviation and the Gallup Municipal Airport have an immense economic impact on the City of Gallup; and
- WHEREAS:** New Mexico is home to 53 public-use general aviation airports, which serve 4,562 pilots and 2,562 active general aviation aircraft; and
- WHEREAS:** New Mexico is home to 39 fixed-base operators, 23 repair stations, 181 heliports, 7 FAA-approved pilot schools, 888 flight students and 628 flight instructors; and
- WHEREAS:** general aviation in New Mexico contributes over \$1.1 billion to the state's total economic output; and
- WHEREAS:** general aviation not only supports New Mexico's economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency 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.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mayor Jackie McKinney and City Councilors Linda Garcia, Allan Laudavazo, Yogash Kumar and Fran Palochak do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Gallup and declare September as:

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 13th day of September, 2016




Jackie McKinney, Mayor
CITY OF GALLUP