



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Idaho Falls, 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 Idaho Falls Municipal Airport have an immense economic impact on Idaho Falls; and

WHEREAS, according to the PricewaterhouseCoopers study, Contribution of General Aviation to the US Economy, general aviation in Idaho contributes over \$1.1 billion to the state's total economic output; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho Transportation Department, Division of Aeronautics reports that Idaho has 117 public-use general aviation airports. According to FAA data, these airports serve 4,834 pilots and 2,966 active general aviation aircraft; and

WHEREAS, according to the PricewaterhouseCoopers' study, Contribution of General Aviation to the US Economy, general aviation supports 7,900 jobs in Idaho, resulting in \$342 million in labor income; and

WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports Idaho'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;

THEREFORE, I, REBECCA CASPER, MAYOR of the City of Idaho Falls, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Idaho Falls and declare October as

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

In the City of Idaho Falls.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Idaho Falls to be affixed on this 21st day of October Two-Thousand and Sixteen.

Rebecca L. Noah Casper, Mayor
City of Idaho Falls