

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania



Governor's Office

PROCLAMATION

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH
May 2019

WHEREAS, general aviation and community airports play a critical role in the lives of our citizens, businesses, and farms; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania has a significant interest in the continued vitality of general aviation, aerospace, aircraft manufacturing, educational institutions, aviation organizations, community airports, and airport operators; and

WHEREAS, general aviation airports in the commonwealth contribute over \$1.3 billion in economic impact each year; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania has 127 licensed, public airports, serving 15,704 pilots and 6,366 registered aircraft; and

WHEREAS, general aviation airports support 8,548 jobs across the state and sustain a payroll of over \$339 million; and

WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports Pennsylvania's economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare services, law-enforcement, firefighting, and disaster relief; and

WHEREAS, the nation's aviation infrastructure represents an important public benefit, and Congressional oversight should be in place of this system to ensure that it remains a public system and serves communities of all sizes.

THEREFORE, I, Tom Wolf, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim May 2019, as GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH. I encourage all residents to recognize the value and importance of general aviation and the important role it plays in our communities.



GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, this first day of May two thousand nineteen, the year of the commonwealth the two hundred forty-third.

Tom Wolf
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Governor