

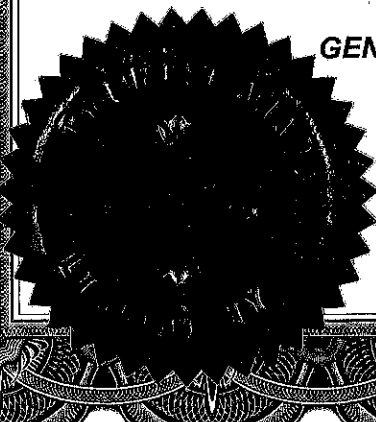
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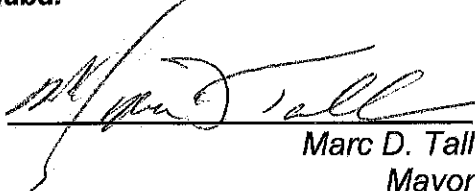
General Aviation Appreciation Month 2020

- WHEREAS,** *the City of Escanaba in the state of Michigan 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 Delta County Airport has an immense economic impact on the City of Escanaba; and*
- WHEREAS,** *general aviation airports in the state of Michigan support over \$5.2 billion in total economic output.; and*
- WHEREAS,** *general aviation not only supports Escanaba's economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare services, law enforcement, fire-fighting and disaster relief, investments in sustainable fuels and technologies, and by transporting business travelers to their destinations quickly and safely; and*
- WHEREAS,** *these aircraft and our network of airports represent a national 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; and*
- WHEREAS,** *general aviation has been deeply impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, causing an impact on operations, jobs, and dependent industries, sectors and communities; and*
- WHEREAS,** *general aviation stands to be at the forefront of the overall economic recovery; and*
- WHEREAS,** *the United States faces a shortage of aviation professionals, leaders should invest in this critical infrastructure to ensure future economic growth and our next generation of aviation professionals and pilots; and*

NOW THEREFORE, *that I, along with City Council, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic asset to the City of Escanaba and declare December as*

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH
in the City of Escanaba.




Marc D. Tall
Mayor