

MONO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING MARCH 2023 AS GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

WHEREAS, Bridgeport, Lee Vining, and Mono County in the state of California have 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 Bryant Field have a significant economic impact on the Town of Bridgeport, and Lee Vining Airport has a similar economic impact on the Town of Lee Vining; and

WHEREAS, the PricewaterhouseCoopers study, contribution of General Aviation to the US Economy in 2018, found that general aviation airports in the state support an annual economic impact of over \$32.7 billion, over 148,000 jobs, and a total payroll of over \$11.3 billion; and

WHEREAS, according to the 2018 Aviation in California: Fact Sheet, the state has 214 public-use airports serving general aviation. According to the FAA, these airports serve almost 69,000 pilots and almost 25,000 registered aircraft; and

WHEREAS, according to the FAA, the state is home to 555 repair stations, 65 FAA-approved pilot schools, over 25,000 student pilots, and over 10,000 flight instructors; and

WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports California's economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare services, law enforcement, search and rescue, firefighting and disaster relief, investments in sustainable fuels and technologies, and investments in innovative experimental technology like Vertical Takeoff and Landing vehicles, and by transporting business and recreational travelers to their destinations quickly and safely; 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;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, the Mono County Board of Supervisors hereby declares March 2023 be General Aviation Appreciation Month.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of March 2023, by the Mono County Board of Supervisors.

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