



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Elizabethtown in the Commonwealth of Kentucky 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 Elizabethtown Regional Airport have an immense economic impact on the City of Elizabethtown; and

WHEREAS, Kentucky is home to 53 public-use general aviation airports, which serve 5,827 pilots and 1,934 active general aviation aircraft; and

WHEREAS, Kentucky is home to 54 fixed-base operators, 40 repair stations, 215 heliports, 6 FAA-approved pilot schools, 1,028 flight students and 1,075 flight instructors; and

WHEREAS, general aviation in Kentucky contributes over \$1.6 billion to the state's total economic output; and

WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports Kentucky'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, Edna Berger, Mayor of the City of Elizabethtown, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Elizabethtown and declare July 2016 as

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH



Edna B. Berger
EDNA B. BERGER, MAYOR