



Alexandria Louisiana

Office of the Mayor

Proclamation

- WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria in the state of Louisiana 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 Esler Regional Airport have an immense economic impact on the City of Alexandria; and
- WHEREAS, Louisiana is home to 62 public-use general aviation airports, which serve 5,696 pilots and 3,264 active general aviation aircraft; and
- WHEREAS, Louisiana is home to 61 fixed-based operators, 37 repair stations, 520 heliports, 7 FAA-approved pilot schools, 1,215 flight students and 870 flight instructors; and
- WHEREAS, general aviation airports in Louisiana contribute \$966 million to the state's economy annually; and
- WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports Louisiana'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; and
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jacques M. Roy, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Louisiana, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Alexandria and declare March, as

“GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH”

*In witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and caused this seal to be affixed*

March 18, 2016



Mayor, City of Alexandria, Louisiana