STATE OF OHIO

## **Executive Department**

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Columbus

## RESOLUTION

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

**WHEREAS,** the state of Ohio 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, according to the 2014 Ohio Airports Economic Impact Study, general aviation airports in Ohio support 17,497 jobs, \$688 million in annual payroll and contribute more than \$1.8 billion to the state's economy. According to the same source, fractional aircraft companies, including NetJets, MaxFlight and Flight Options employ more than 1,400 Ohio workers; and

WHEREAS, Ohio has more than 150 public-use general aviation airports, serving approximately 16,000 pilots and 6,000 active general aviation aircraft; and

**WHEREAS,** many communities in Ohio depend heavily on general aviation and community airports for the continued flow of commerce, tourists and visitors to our state.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, John R. Kasich and Mary Taylor, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize December 2017 as

## GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

throughout Ohio and encourage all Ohioans to join us in its observance.

On this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December 2017;

John R. Kasich Governor

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Mary Taylor Lieutenant Governor

