



Grand Junction

State of Colorado

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, *the City of Grand Junction in the state of Colorado 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 local airports have an immense economic impact on the City of Grand Junction; and*

WHEREAS, *Colorado is home to 61 public-use airports, which serve 17,435 pilots and 5,412 active general aviation aircraft; and*

WHEREAS, *Colorado is home to 70 fixed-based operators, 71 repair stations, 447 heliports, 9 FAA-approved pilot schools, 2,817 flight students and 3,528 flight instructors; and*

WHEREAS, *general aviation in Colorado contributes over \$2.4 billion to the state's economy annually; and*

WHEREAS, *general aviation not only supports Colorado's economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare services, law-enforcement, firefighting, 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.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phyllis Norris, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2015 as

"GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH"

in the City of Grand Junction and urge all the citizens of the City to recognize general aviation as a vital strategic resource.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 1st day of June 2015.

Mayor

