

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Wayne County Airport as well as 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 Ohio Department of Transportation, Office of Aviation, the state has a total of 150 public-use airports and 7,800 registered aircraft. According to the FAA, these airports serve 15,322 pilots; and

WHEREAS, the Wayne County Airport services over 35,000 flight operations a year and is significant to local businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Wayne County Airport is the base for many corporate aircraft and is utilized by corporations as a means to conduct business; and

WHEREAS, according to the Ohio Department of Transportation, the Wayne County Airport has a total economic impact of \$21.8 million to the county; and

WHEREAS, the nation's aviation infrastructure represents an important public benefit, and Congressional oversight should be in place to ensure it remains a public system and serves communities of all sizes; and

WHEREAS, many communities in Ohio, including Wayne County, depend heavily on General Aviation and Community Airports for the continued flow of commerce, tourists and visitors to our state.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we do hereby recognize:

December, 2018
GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH
in Wayne County, Ohio

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we encourage all Ohioans to join in its observance.



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Wayne County Commissioners

