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

WHEREAS airports and airport operator; and aerospace, aircraft manufacturing, educational institutions, aviation organizations, community the State of Maryland has a significant interest in the continued vitality of general aviation,

WHEREAS Maryland supports more than \$704 million in business-generated revenue; and a 2015 Maryland Economic Impact of Airports study found that general aviation airports in

WHEREAS active general aviation aircraft with general aviation airports supporting 6,317 jobs across the the State of Maryland has 35 public-use general aviation airports, serving 7,782 pilots and 2,774

WHEREAS general aviation plays a vital role in the state's response to emergencies and natural disasters;

WHEREAS rescue operations such as air ambulance transports by fixed wing and rotor craft, in addition to police, warden, and mail service routinely utilize general aviation to support daily operations

and communication; 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

Maryland is home to 24 repair stations, 11 FAA-approved flight schools and 22 fixed based

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operators in the state; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL J. PANTELIDES, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ANNAPOLIS MARYLAND DO HEREBY PROCLAIM

September 2016

General Aviation and Community Airport Month
IN THE CITY OF ANNAPOLIS

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Michael J. Pantelides, Mayor IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto Set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Annapolis to be affixed this 1ST Day of Septemer in the year of our Lord, two thousand sixteen.