CITY OF COLVILLE PROCLAMATION

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, industry, ranches and farms; and

WHEREAS, Washington State 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, Washington State has 134 public use airports serving 18,727 pilots and 9,201 general aviation aircraft; and

WHEREAS, public use airports support 248,500 jobs, \$15.3 billion in wages, and \$50.9 billion in total economic activity; and

WHEREAS, general aviation plays a vital role in our State's response to emergencies and natural disasters, and many communities depend on it for the continued flow of commerce and tourists; and

WHEREAS, Washington is home to 45 charter flight companies, 110 repair stations, and 31 flight schools operating 151 aircraft and providing 310 jobs, as well as 62 fixed-based operators in the state; and

WHEREAS, organizations including the Washington Airport Management Association, Washington's Pilot's Association, Washington Public Ports Association, Recreational Aviation Foundation, Washington Seaplane Pilots Association, Washington Community Airports Association, Alliance for Aviation Across America, Pacific Northwest Business Aviation Association, National Association State Aviation Officials, Washington State Aviation Alliance, Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, National Business Aviation Association, and National Air Transportation Association recognize and promote the interests and importance of aviation in our state and throughout the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Louis F. Janke, Mayor of the City of Colville, do hereby proclaim June, 2015 as

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

in the City of Colville and I urge all citizens to recognize general aviation as a vital strategic resource to the State of Washington.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Colville to be affixed this 4th day of June, 2015.

Louis F. Janke, Mayor

Attest:

Holly Rannell CMC, PFO
City Clerk/Human Resources Manager