

*Office of the Mayor
City of Twin Falls, Idaho*

Proclamation

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

WHEREAS, the City of Twin Falls, in the state of Idaho, 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 the Magic Valley Regional Airport have an immense economic impact on Twin Falls; and

WHEREAS, according to the PricewaterhouseCoopers study, Contribution of General Aviation to the US Economy, general aviation in Idaho contributes over \$1.1 billion to the state's total economic output; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho Transportation Department, Division of Aeronautics reports that Idaho has 117 public-use general aviation airports. According to FAA data, these airports serve 4,834 pilots and 2,966 active general aviation aircraft; and

WHEREAS, according to the PricewaterhouseCoopers study, Contribution of General Aviation to the US Economy, general aviation supports 7,900 jobs in Idaho, resulting in \$342 million in labor income; and

WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports Idaho's economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare services, law enforcement, firefighting and 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, and Congressional oversight should be in place to ensure stable funding of this system;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Shawn Barigar, Mayor of the City of Twin Falls, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Twin Falls and declare June as

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in the City of Twin Falls.



In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed.

Shawn A. Barigar
Mayor Shawn Barigar

Attest: *Leila A. Sanchez*
Deputy City Clerk Leila A. Sanchez

Date: *May 31, 2016*