

The State of New Hampshire
By His Excellency
Christopher T. Sununu, Governor

A Proclamation

In the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Eighteen

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH
MARCH 2018

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

WHEREAS, the State of New Hampshire 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, New Hampshire's airport system includes 25 publicly-owned airports that serve 3,825 pilots and operate 2,055 general aviation aircraft. New Hampshire is also home to 20 charter flight companies, 32 airport repair stations, and 29 flight schools, in addition to 14 fixed-base operators; and

WHEREAS, according to the New Hampshire Department of Transportation, there are 137 registered airports throughout the state, 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, general aviation plays a vital role in New Hampshire's response to emergencies and natural disasters, and many communities in New Hampshire depend heavily on general aviation and community airports for the continued flow of commerce, tourists, and visitors to our state; and

WHEREAS, organizations like the New Hampshire Pilot's Association, Granite State Airport Managers Association, Alliance for Aviation Across America, National Business Aviation Association, National Association of State Aviation Officials, Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, and National Air Transportation Association recognize and promote the interests and importance of aviation in New Hampshire and throughout the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU, GOVERNOR of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby proclaim **MARCH 2018** as **GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH** in the State of New Hampshire, and call this to the attention of all citizens.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of New Hampshire to be affixed this 22nd day of February, 2018.



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Christopher T. Sununu
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