

PROCLAMATION

General Aviation Appreciation Month 2021

WHEREAS, Brookfield in the state of Missouri 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 North Central Missouri Regional Airport have an immense economic impact on the City of Brookfield; and

WHEREAS, according to the 2012 Missouri Statewide Airports Economic Study, general aviation airports in Missouri support an economic impact of over \$857 million; and

WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports Missouri's economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare services, law enforcement, fire-fighting and disaster relief, investments in sustainable fuels and technologies, and investments in innovative experimental technology like Vertical Takeoff and Landing vehicles, and by transporting business travelers to their destinations quickly and safely; and

WHEREAS, these aircraft and our network of airports represent a national public benefit, and Congressional oversight should be in place of this system to ensure that it remains a public system and serves communities of all sizes; and

WHEREAS, general aviation has been deeply impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, causing an impact on operations, jobs, and dependent industries, sectors and communities; and

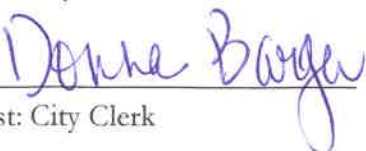
WHEREAS, general aviation stands to be at the forefront of the overall economic recovery; and

WHEREAS, the United States faces a shortage of aviation professionals, leaders should invest in this critical infrastructure to ensure future economic growth and our next generation of aviation professionals and pilots; and

NOW THEREFORE, I, Lonnie Trentham, Mayor of the City of Brookfield, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic asset to the City of Brookfield and declare April 2021 as

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

in the City of Brookfield.


Attest: City Clerk


Mayor