

# Proclamation

*in honor of*

## General Aviation Appreciation Month 2017

**WHEREAS**, the City of Oceanside, California 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 Oceanside Municipal Airport have a significant economic impact on the City of Oceanside; and

**WHEREAS**, California is home to 215 public-use general aviation airports, which serve 56,841 FAA certified pilots and 29,211 FAA registered aircraft; and

**WHEREAS**, California is home to 631 repair stations, 505 heliports, 66 FAA-approved pilot schools, 12,033 flight students and 9,452 flight instructors; and

**WHEREAS**, general aviation in California contributes over \$30.2 billion to the state's total economic impact; and

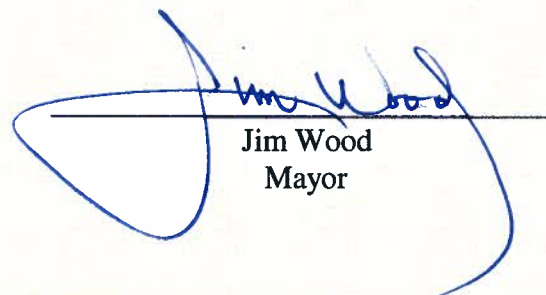
**WHEREAS**, general aviation not only supports California's economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare services, law enforcement, firefighting and disaster relief, and by transporting business travelers to their destinations quickly and safely; and

**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, BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Jim Wood, Mayor of the City of Oceanside, California, do hereby proclaim **April 2017 as General Aviation Appreciation Month**. Furthermore, I encourage our community to recognize general aviation as a vital strategic resource to the City of Oceanside.

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Jim Wood  
Mayor