

**Office of the Mayor
Warsaw, Indiana**

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, the City of Warsaw in the state of Indiana 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 Warsaw Municipal Airport have an immense economic impact on the City of Warsaw; and
- WHEREAS, Indiana is home to 117 public-use airports, which serve 10,396 pilots and 4,914 active general aviation aircraft; and
- WHEREAS, the United States faces a shortage of aviation professionals, with an estimated need of 212,000 pilots in North America over the next 20 years and general aviation serves as a pipeline for those seeking careers in aviation; and
- WHEREAS, general aviation in Indiana contributes over \$5.8 billion to the state's economy; and
- WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports Indiana'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 of this system to ensure that it remains a public system and serves communities of all sizes;
- THEREFORE, I, Mayor Joseph M. Thallemer, Mayor of the City of Warsaw, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Warsaw and declare November as

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

in the City of Warsaw.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Warsaw to be affixed this 25th day of November, 2019.



Joseph M. Thallemer, Mayor