



CITY OF KERRVILLE PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** Kerrville in the State of Texas 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 Kerrville Municipal Airport-Louis Schreiner Field have an immense economic impact on the City of Kerrville; and
- WHEREAS,** according to the *2018 Texas Aviation Economic Impact Study*, general aviation airports in the state support an annual economic output of over \$9.3 billion; and
- WHEREAS,** general aviation not only supports Texas' economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare services, law enforcement, fire-fighting, disaster relief, and investments in sustainable fuels and technologies, and 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.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Blackburn, Mayor of the City of Kerrville, Texas, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic asset to the City of Kerrville and declare November as:

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Kerrville to be affixed this 1 day of November 2021.



Bill Blackburn, Mayor

