



# PROCLAMATION

Commemorating

## GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

November 2017

**WHEREAS**, the City of Burlington in the state of North Carolina 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 Burlington-Alamance Regional Airport have an immense economic impact on the City of Burlington; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina is home to 62 public-use airports, which serve 13,871 pilots and 5,527 active general aviation aircraft; and


**WHEREAS**, North Carolina is home to 84 fixed-base operators, 66 repair stations, 113 heliports, 17 FAA-approved pilot schools, 2,724 flight students and 2,665 flight instructors; and

**WHEREAS**, general aviation in North Carolina contributes over \$4 billion to the State's total economic impact; and

**WHEREAS**, general aviation not only supports North Carolina'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;

**NOW THEREFORE, I, Ian Baltutis, Mayor of the City of Burlington, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Burlington and declare November as GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH in the City of Burlington.**



Ian Baltutis

Mayor, City of Burlington