

CITY OF PORT HURON MICHIGAN

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the City of Port Huron in the state of Michigan 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 St. Clair County International Airport have an immense economic impact on the City of Port Huron; and

WHEREAS, according to the 2017 Michigan Aviation System Plan, general aviation in Michigan generates an estimated \$5.2 billion in business revenues to the state's economy each year and supports more than 33,000 jobs and a payroll of \$1.4 billion annually; and

WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports Michigan's economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare service, law enforcement, fire-fighting and disaster relief, investments in sustainable fuels and technologies and by transporting business travelers to their destinations quickly and safely; and

WHEREAS, these aircrafts and our network of airports represent a national public benefit, and Congressional oversight should be in a 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

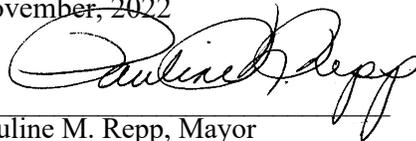
WHEREAS, the United States faces a shortage of aviation professionals, leaders should invest in this critical infrastructure to ensure future economic growth and our next generation of aviation professionals and piolets;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pauline M. Repp, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Port Huron, and on behalf of Councilmembers Archibald, Ashford, Lamb, Mosurak Pemberton and Ruiz, do hereby proclaim November 2022 to be:

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

acknowledging general aviation as a vital strategic resource to the City of Port Huron.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I do hereby set my hand and cause the Corporate Seal of the City of Port Huron to be affixed this 1st day of November, 2022



Pauline M. Repp, Mayor