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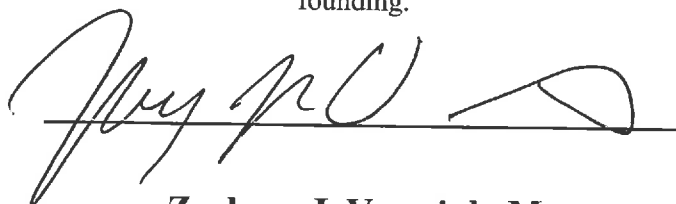
A PROCLAMATION

“GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH”

- WHEREAS,** the City of Wisconsin Rapids in the state of Wisconsin 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 local airports, including South Wood County Airport, have an immense economic impact on the city of Wisconsin Rapids; and
- WHEREAS,** Wisconsin is home to 119 public-use general aviation airports, which serve 9,186 pilots and 5,316 active general aviation aircraft; and
- WHEREAS,** Wisconsin is home to 86 fixed-base operators, 51 repair stations, 106 heliports, 4 FAA-approved pilot schools, 2,035 flight students and 1,650 flight instructors; and
- WHEREAS,** general aviation not only supports Wisconsin’s economy, it improves overall quality of life by supporting emergency medical and healthcare services, law-enforcement, firefighting, 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, Zachary J. Vruwink, Mayor of the City of Wisconsin Rapids, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Wisconsin Rapids and declare July as, as **“General Aviation Appreciation Month”** in the city of Wisconsin Rapids, and encourage residents to recognize general aviation as a vital strategic resource to the City of Wisconsin Rapids.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand this Sixteenth day of July, in the year of our Lord, Two-Thousand and Eighteen, and in the One Hundred Forty-Ninth year of this City’s founding.

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**Zachary J. Vruwink, Mayor**

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