

# Proclamation

## GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH SEPTEMBER, 2014

- Whereas,** general aviation and community airports play a critical role in the lives of our citizens, as well as in the operation of our businesses and farms; and,
- Whereas,** a 2013 Maryland Economic Impact of Airports Study found that the annual economic impact of general aviation in Maryland is \$550.7 million dollars; and,
- Whereas,** the state of Maryland has 36 public use airports, serving 7,782 pilots and 2,774 general aviation aircraft. General aviation supports 6,274 jobs across the state; and,
- Whereas,** Hagerstown is proud to be home to the Hagerstown Regional Airport. In 1928, Kreider-Reisner purchased 60 acres of the farm owned by Robert and Emma Brumbaugh which became home to the City of Hagerstown Airport. The property, now known as Hagerstown Regional Airport, is located approximately three miles north of Hagerstown has grown in size over the years. It is among the oldest continuously operating U.S. airports in history; and,
- Whereas,** Hagerstown is proud to play a role in aviation history as well as provide both public and private aviation services to the community.

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that with the support of the City Council, I, David S. Gysberts, Mayor of the City of Hagerstown, Maryland, do hereby proclaim and recognize September, 2014, to be **General Aviation Appreciation Month**.

THE CITY OF HAGERSTOWN

*David S. Gysberts*

David S. Gysberts  
Mayor

*Signed this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014*

