



Proclamation in Recognition of General Aviation Month

WHEREAS, the City of Red Wing in the State of Minnesota 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 Red Wing Regional Airport have an immense economic impact on the City of Red Wing and neighboring communities; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota is home to 153 public use airports, which serve 12,478 pilots and 4,365 active general aviation aircraft; and

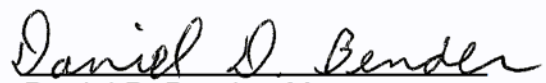
WHEREAS, Minnesota is home to 109 fixed based operators, 51 repair stations, 522 heliports, 11 FAA approved pilot schools, 1,933 flight students and 2,500 flight instructors; and

WHEREAS, general aviation in Minnesota contributes over \$5.3 billion to the state's economy annually; and

WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports the economy of Minnesota and the local communities, it improves the 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 to ensure stable funding of this system;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Daniel D. Bender, Mayor of the City of Red Wing, do hereby proclaim general aviation a vital strategic resource to the City of Red Wing and declare the month of October, 2015 to be General Aviation Appreciation Month.


Daniel D. Bender, Mayor
City of Red Wing, Minnesota