

## MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** the city of Madison 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 Blackhawk Airfield, have an immense economic impact on the city of Madison; and
- WHEREAS,** Wisconsin is home to 131 public-use airports that serve 9,503 pilots and 5,694 active general aviation aircrafts; and
- WHEREAS,** the state is home to 48 repair stations, 7 FAA-approved pilot schools, 1,610 student pilots and 1,604 flight instructors; and
- WHEREAS,** general aviation contributes an annual economic impact of \$694 million to Wisconsin's economy and supports 9,390 jobs; 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 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 the Mayor of the City of Madison, Wisconsin, does hereby proclaim August 18<sup>th</sup>–24<sup>th</sup>, 2014, as

### **General Aviation Appreciation Week**

and calls upon all citizens to recognize that general aviation is a vital strategic resource to the city of Madison.



*Paul R. Soglin*

Mayor Paul R. Soglin

Signed and sealed this 12<sup>th</sup> day  
of August 2014 at City Hall.