

# The State of Maryland



## Proclamation

*From the Governor of the State of Maryland*

### **GENERAL AVIATION AND COMMUNITY AIRPORT MONTH SEPTEMBER 2014**

- WHEREAS,** *General Aviation and Community Airports play a critical role in both the lives of our citizens, businesses and farms; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The State of Maryland has a significant interest in the continued vitality of General Aviation, Aerospace, aircraft manufacturing, educational institutions and aviation organizations and community airports and airport operators; 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; 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,** *General Aviation plays a vital role in the State's response to emergencies and natural disasters. Rescue operations such as air ambulance transports by fixed wing and rotor craft, in addition to Police, Warden, and Mail services routinely utilize general aviation to support daily operations and communication; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Maryland is home to 13 charter flight companies, 26 repair stations, and 9 flight schools operating 71 aircraft and providing 112 jobs. In addition, there are 22 fixed based operators in the State; and*

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARTIN O'MALLEY, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim SEPTEMBER 2014 as GENERAL AVIATION AND COMMUNITY AIRPORT MONTH in Maryland, and do commend this celebration to all of our citizens.**

*Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,  
this 1st day of September  
Two Thousand and fourteen*



*Martin O'Malley*  
Governor

*Robert Ehrlich*  
Lt. Governor

*Joe C. McPherson*  
Secretary of State