

**OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION
CITY OF MOORHEAD, STATE OF MINNESOTA**

- WHEREAS,** *the City of Moorhead 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 Moorhead Municipal Airport has an immense economic impact on Moorhead; 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 Minnesota'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 to ensure stable funding of this system.*
- NOW, THEREFORE,** *I, Del Rae Williams, Mayor of the City of Moorhead, State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim October 2015:*

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

in the City of Moorhead and urge citizens to celebrate this vital, strategic resource in our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, *I have set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Moorhead, State of Minnesota, to be affixed this 1st day of October, 2015.*





*Del Rae Williams, Mayor
City of Moorhead, State of Minnesota*