



CITY OF KLAMATH FALLS, OREGON

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Proclamation

- 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.*
- WHEREAS:** *The State of Oregon 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.*
- WHEREAS:** *There are 97 public use airports and over 360 private airports in the state which are part of the essential national system of airports serving our nations 617,000 pilots.*
- WHEREAS:** *There are over 400 aviation related businesses in 78 cities throughout Oregon with an average wage of over \$62,395.*
- WHEREAS:** *General Aviation plays a vital role in the State's response to emergencies and natural disasters.*
- WHEREAS:** *Airports in Oregon were responsible for over 12,000 family wage jobs in 78 cities around the state and over \$2 billion in economic impact attributable to the states aviation industry.*
- WHEREAS:** *The nation's aviation infrastructure represents an important, public benefit, and direct, Congressional oversight is necessary to ensure stable funding of this system.*
- WHEREAS:** *Numerous Aviation organizations and associations recognize and promote the interests and importance of aviation in Oregon and throughout the world.*
- WHEREAS:** *Many communities in Oregon depend heavily on General Aviation and Community Airports for the continued flow of commerce, tourists and visitors to our State.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TODD KELLSTROM, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF KLAMATH FALLS, OREGON, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM MARCH 2014 TO BE:

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 19th day of March, 2014.



TODD KELLSTROM, MAYOR