

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, general aviation and community airports are of vital importance to all citizens, both economically as well as during emergencies and natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, Florida's 127 public-use airports, with 154 fixed-based operators serving 51,671 pilots and 25,328 general aviation aircraft, account for nearly 80% of aircraft operations statewide and support over 54,000 jobs with and annual payroll of \$1.8 billion and an \$6 billion economic impact; and

WHEREAS, organizations such as the Florida Airport Council, Florida Aviation Trades Association, Florida Aviation Aerospace Alliance, the Alliance for Aviation Across America, National Business Aviation Association, National Association of State Aviation Officials, Aircraft Owner's and Pilot's Association, and National Air Transportation Association recognize and promote the interests and importance of aviation in Florida and throughout the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Susan Haynie, Mayor of the City of Boca Raton, Florida, do hereby proclaim April as

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

in Boca Raton, and in so doing, recognize general aviation as a vital strategic resource to the State of Florida and the City of Boca Raton.

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Susan Haynie

Mayor

April 22, 2014