Office of the Mayor PROCLAMATION

Whereas, The City of Manitowoc 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 Manitowoc County Airport, have an

immense economic impact on the City of Manitowoc; and

Whereas, Wisconsin is home to 131 public-use airports that serve 9,503 pilots and 5,694

active general aviation aircraft; and

Whereas, a 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

and is a vital strategic resource to the City of Manitowoc.

Now, therefore, I, Justin M. Nickels, Mayor of the City of Manitowoc, State of Wisconsin, do hereby

proclaim the week of July 28th, 2014 to August 3, 2014 to be

General Aviation Appreciation Week

in the City of Manitowoc and encourage the community to join in this observance and get involved in

this effort.

Signed and sealed this 24th day of July, Two Thousand and Fourteen

Justin/M. Nickels, Mayor