

Proclamation

City of Palm Springs

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WHEREAS, the city of Palm Springs in the state of California 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 have an immense economic impact on the city of Palm Springs; and

WHEREAS, California is home to 216 public-use airports, which serve 61,185 pilots and 29,890 registered aircraft; and

WHEREAS, California is home to 631 repair stations, 505 heliports, 66 FAA-approved pilot schools, 12,033 flight students and 9,452 flight instructors; and

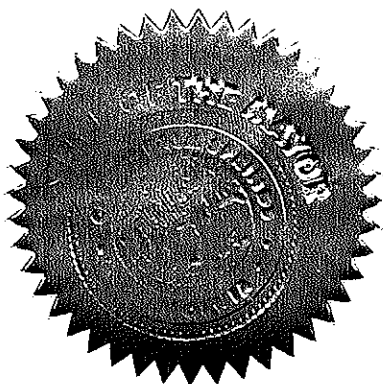
WHEREAS, general aviation in California contributes over \$18.2 billion to the state's economy annually; and

WHEREAS, general aviation not only supports California'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, Stephen P. Pougnet, Mayor of the City of Palm Springs, California, by the power vested in me, do hereby proclaim February, 2015 to be:

General Aviation Appreciation Month.



Stephen P. Pougnet

Mayor