Proclamation

by

Matthew G. Bevin
Governor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky

To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

WHEREAS, General aviation and community airports play a critical role in the lives of our citizens, businesses and farms; and

WHEREAS, A recent study found that in Kentucky, general aviation contributes over $1.6 billion to the states total economy; and

WHEREAS, The State of Kentucky has 53 public-use general aviation airports, serving 5,827 pilots and 1,934 active general aviation aircraft. General aviation airports support 9,400 jobs across the state and $454 million in labor income; and

WHEREAS, A great many businesses and communities in Kentucky depend upon general aviation aircraft and small aircraft of all types for mobility, access to medical treatment, economic opportunity, disaster relief and a wide range of critical resources; and

WHEREAS, Business aviation is an invaluable tool for companies in Kentucky to support their operations, thus bringing new business, investment and jobs to Kentucky. Business aircraft improve efficiency, save money and open doors of opportunity to rural areas not reached by commercial aviation; 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, MATTHEW G. BEVIN, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim July 2016, as

GENERAL AVIATION MONTH

in Kentucky.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort the 21st day of June, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Sixteen and in the 225th year of the Commonwealth.

MATTHEW G. BEVIN
GOVERNOR

ALISON LUNDERGAN GRIMES
SECRETARY OF STATE