



Executive Department  
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor  
**Proclamation**

State Capitol  
Boise

**General Aviation Appreciation Month**

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; and

WHEREAS, the State of Idaho 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; and

WHEREAS, Idaho is home to 119 public-use general aviation airports, which serve 5,059 pilots and 4,020 general aviation aircraft; and

WHEREAS, the economic affect of general aviation in Idaho is over \$429 million; and over 23,000 residents owe their jobs to aviation in Idaho, which represents 2.9 percent of all jobs in the state, with a total economic impact of aviation in Idaho of \$2.1 billion; and

WHEREAS, Idaho's general aviation airports provide 4,096 jobs in Idaho, with an estimated payroll of \$133 million; and

WHEREAS, general aviation plays a vital role in the State's response to emergencies and natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, Idaho is home to 46 charter flight companies, 28 repair stations, and seven flight schools operating 22 aircraft and providing 58 jobs, in addition to the 46 fixed-base operators in Idaho; and

WHEREAS, many communities in Idaho depend heavily on general aviation and community airports for the continued flow of commerce, tourists and visitors to our state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim September 2011 to be

**GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH**

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and eleven and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-fifth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-first.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER  
GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE