

Proclaiming May 2024 as Aviation Month in Clackamas County

WHEREAS, Clackamas County is home to more than 20 public and private use airports and helipads, including the Portland-Mulino Airport; and

WHEREAS, the Aurora Airport, which is located just outside of the Clackamas County border in Marion County, is utilized by many Clackamas County based businesses such as Wilson Construction, Napa Autoparts of Wilsonville, and Teledyne-FLIR and provides essential services to the region such as LifeFlight; and

WHEREAS, Aviation industries play a critical employment role in Clackamas County and offer high paying skilled jobs to the people of Clackamas County; and

WHEREAS, the public use airports provide important links in air traffic in the state and provide essential safety and emergency services to Clackamas County; and

WHEREAS, Oregon was the first state in the union to create an Aviation Department and to issue licenses to pilots and aircraft; and

WHEREAS, the Oregon has 4,500 registered General Aviation aircraft, 10,800 licensed pilots, and 97 public use airports; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED, that the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners declares May 2024 as Aviation Month and encourages all Oregonians to celebrate the rich history of the aviation industry in this state.

Dated this 23rd Day of May, 2024

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Tootie Smith, Chair