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Colorado Aviation Business Association (CABA) and Colorado Division of Aeronautics Celebrate Governor's Proclamation of June as *General Aviation Appreciation Month*

Denver, CO – June 1, 2016 – The Colorado Aviation Business Association (CABA) and the Colorado Division of Aeronautics are pleased to announce the release of Governor John Hickenlooper's Proclamation declaring June 2016 to be *General Aviation Appreciation Month*.

For the sixth consecutive year, Governor Hickenlooper has honored aviation as a vital pillar of the state's economy, supporting 265,700 jobs with a combined annual payroll of \$12.6 billion. Seventy-four business and general aviation airports and 447 heliports in Colorado together contribute \$2.4 billion to Colorado's economy through numerous revenue sources including corporate and charter flights, private and business aircraft operations, aircraft maintenance and repair, flight instruction, and fuel sales.

"The Division of Aeronautics is excited to celebrate June, 2016 as General Aviation Appreciation Month with all of those who are passionate and dedicated to maintaining and improving this essential mode of transportation in Colorado," said David Ulane, Aeronautics Division Director.

CABA and the Division of Aeronautics have worked closely over the past six years to support and promote business and general aviation in Colorado. CABA and the Division of Aeronautics have partnered with schools and colleges with aviation programs. CABA offers scholarships through its Foundation to provide financial assistance for training, and has disbursed over \$50,000 in scholarships to 25 college and high school students over the past six years.

"We applaud Governor Hickenlooper for recognizing the many benefits business and general aviation bring to Colorado," said Chris Leach, Chairman of CABA.

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Notes to Editors:

About the Colorado Aviation Business Association:

The mission of the Colorado Aviation Business Association is to promote the value of business and general aviation across the State of Colorado.

Founded in 1994, the Colorado Aviation Business Association consists of over 300 businesses and individual members who live and work within the State of Colorado. CABA addresses and responds to issues impacting Colorado Airports including safety and operational effectiveness; Educates the general public about all aviation activities in the state; Preserves and protects the state's airport related businesses as valuable economic assets to the community at large; and Provides for the training of future aviation professionals through the CABA Foundation scholarship fund.

<http://www.mycaba.org>



About the Colorado Department of Transportation, Division of Aeronautics:

The Colorado Division of Aeronautics was established in 1991 to support the Colorado Department of Transportation's development of a forward-looking multi-modal transportation system. The Division of Aeronautics, under the direction of the Colorado Aeronautical Board is dedicated to the future enhancement of aviation safety, aviation education, and the development of an effective air transportation system through the efficient administration of the Colorado Aviation Fund.

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