



PRESS RELEASE

**TOWN TO RECOGNIZE LOCAL AIR HEROES**

**SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL AND NEW MEXICO CIVIL AVIATION MONTH**

**September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2014 – Taos, NM**

On Tuesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 1pm at the Town Council Chambers the Mayor and Town Council will issue a proclamation supporting NM Aviation Month, as declared by the Governor. The month is dedicated to recognizing the important contributions of civilian pilots and civilian non-military aviation to the economy and public safety of rural New Mexicans.

The Town will also give special thanks to some local air heroes, including the local medical transport and evacuation pilots of Careflight, the Taos-based volunteer pilots of the Civil Air Patrol who conduct search and rescue operations, the pilots of the US Forest Service who monitor the health of our public lands, spot and put out wildfires and assist law enforcement in anti-poaching and wildlife and habitat management, and the volunteers of the Taos Airport Advisory Board, who the oversee management, operations safety and development of the airport.

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