

## Join the Senate General Aviation Caucus

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Dear Colleague:

As co-chairs of the newly formed Senate General Aviation Caucus, it is with great enthusiasm we invite you to join us in support of America's General Aviation (GA) pilots and aircraft users. GA contributes significantly to local economies, generating over \$150 billion annually with 1.3 million American jobs directly tied to the GA industry.

The goal of the Senate General Aviation Caucus is to work with pilots, aircraft owners, the aviation industry, and relevant government agencies to insure a safe and vibrant environment exists for GA in our country. The Caucus will educate members and staff on a variety of aviation issues and will provide a forum for discussion with leaders in the aviation community.

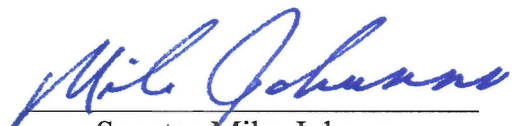
GA has a presence in every state. There are over 230,000 GA aircraft in the United States servicing nearly 19,000 small airports and regional hubs. Our home states in particular rely heavily on GA aircraft to keep geographically isolated communities connected to larger cities. This connection is integral to the economic development driving our nation.

Please join us in recognizing the important role General Aviation plays in communities across America. For more information or to join the Senate General Aviation Caucus, contact James Feldman with Senator Mark Begich at [james\\_feldman@begich.senate.gov](mailto:james_feldman@begich.senate.gov) (4-3004) or Patrick Lehman with Senator Mike Johanns at [patrick\\_lehman@johanns.senate.gov](mailto:patrick_lehman@johanns.senate.gov) (4-4224).

Sincerely,



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