

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in May of 1948, the Gillespie County Airport officially opened, thanks to all the vision and efforts of many community members, including Norman Dietel, H.C. "Hans" Hannemann and William "Red" Schroeder; and

WHEREAS, for over 75 years, the Gillespie County Airport has played a vital role in connecting Gillespie County to the world; and

WHEREAS, the Gillespie County Airport has provided lifesaving and public safety services to thousand in the Hill Country through medical evacuation helicopter services, search and rescue missions, and airborne firefighting services; and

WHEREAS, the Gillespie County Airport has supported and encouraged the development of aviation interest for the local youth of our community through participation in Young Eagle flights and Aviation Career Day; and

WHEREAS, the Gillespie County Airport has now become the jewel of the Hill Country due in part to the inspiration, vision, and hard work of the "modern day" founding fathers of the Airport: Richard Estenson, David Smith, Keith Keller and Greg Snelgrove.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Daniel Jones, Gillespie County Judge, do hereby proclaim May 20th, 2023, as the **GILLESPIE COUNTY AIRPORT 75th ANNIVERSARY**.

Signed this 8th day of May, 2023.





Daniel Jones
Gillespie County Judge