

## Senate Resolution No. 120

Offered by Senators Colbeck, Ananich, Bieda, Booher, Brandenburg, Hansen, Knollenberg, Proos and Zorn

A RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2018, AS MICHIGAN AEROSPACE DAY

WHEREAS, Since the dawn of powered flight, Michigan has developed a proud heritage of aerospace design, development, and manufacturing; and

WHEREAS, Michigan helped to win World War II with the Willow Run Bomber Plant building where almost half of all the B-24 bombers were produced in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Michigan's Selfridge Air National Guard Base has served a vital role in our Nation's defense for over 100 years; and

WHEREAS, Our rich aerospace history is also showcased with the Yankee Air Museum, Selfridge Military Air Museum, and the Air Zoo Aerospace & Science Museum; and

WHEREAS, Michigan is the birthplace of twelve NASA astronauts including Roger B. Chaffee of  $Apollo\ 1$  and Gregory Jarvis of Challenger; and

WHEREAS, Michigan is the birthplace of notable aviation pioneers William Boeing, Edward Heinemann, Clarence "Kelly" Johnson, Iven Kincheloe, Charles Lindbergh and several others; and

WHEREAS, For over a century, Michigan's academic institutions have educated generations of both aerospace and aeronautical scientists and engineers; and

WHEREAS, Michigan's economy is strengthened by more than 650 aerospace manufacturing companies; and

WHEREAS, Michigan is now ranked #2 in state aerospace manufacturing attractiveness; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the members of this legislative body recognize Wednesday, January 31, 2018, as Michigan Aerospace Day.

Adopted by the Senate, January 18, 2018.

