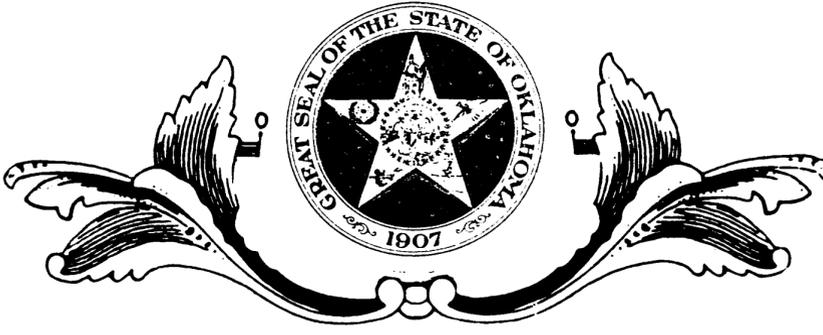


STATE OF OKLAHOMA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

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Whereas, Oklahoma manufacturing workers are among the most productive in the world, creating innovative and valuable products that help grow our employment and boost our state's standard of living; and

Whereas, manufacturing is a dynamic part of Oklahoma's economy, directly representing over 3,500 companies, employing 142,000 people with a total economic output of over \$17.5 billion; and

Whereas, U. S. Manufacturing Day is set for October 3, 2014 and will include industry events in Oklahoma, both on this day and throughout the entire month of October; and

Whereas, during the month of October, manufacturers and key partnering organizations will host statewide events to draw attention to the rewarding high-skill jobs in the manufacturing fields and proudly host open houses, public tours, career workshops, and education activities to showcase the interesting, fulfilling and challenging careers available in manufacturing; and

Whereas, Oklahoma encourages strengthened workforce development efforts between manufacturers, public and private service providers, and education institutions to include curriculum development, career preparation, and continuous upgrading of employee skills; and

Whereas, Oklahoma's annual manufacturing recognition events will commence at the 2014 Oklahoma Conference on Manufacturing being held September 30 and October 1, 2014 in Tulsa;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim October 2014 as

"Manufacturing Month"

in the state of Oklahoma to recognize the contributions of our manufacturing employers and workers and to highlight manufacturing as a valuable career pathway in our great state.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 18th day of September, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and fourteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and sixth year.

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SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR

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