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OKLAHOMA SECRETARY OF STATE

STATE OF OKLAHOMA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, Oklahoma's manufacturing workforce is among the most productive in the world, creating innovative and valuable products that boost our state's standard of living; and

Whereas, manufacturing makes up almost 10 percent of Oklahoma's gross state product and the manufacturing sector provides jobs for many Oklahomans, including careers for engineers, computer programmers, mechanics, machine operators, information technology professionals, researchers and managers; and

Whereas, Oklahoma science, technology, engineering and mathematics, also known as STEM initiatives, are the foundation of an education leading to careers 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, during the month of October, manufacturers and key partnering organizations will host statewide events to draw attention to rewarding high-skill jobs in the manufacturing field and inspire the next generation of manufacturers; and

Whereas, manufacturing has been a key driver in diversifying and strengthening Oklahoma's economy;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor, do hereby proclaim October 2016 as

"Manufacturing Month"

in the state of Oklahoma.

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

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Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 6th day of September, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and sixteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and eighth year.



ATTEST:

[Signature]

Acting Assistant Secretary of State

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR