

WHEREAS, manufacturing is an integral part of Colorado's economic vitality, representing 7.3% of our state's GDP and accounting for \$23 billion in goods and services; and

WHEREAS, Colorado is home to nearly 5,800 manufacturing companies that provide jobs for more than 141,000 people; and

WHEREAS, our state is a beacon for a state-of the-art workforce and talent recruitment; and

WHEREAS, manufacturers in Colorado are bringing technological innovation to the market, increasing productivity, and growing market share, sales revenue, and profitability; and

WHEREAS, manufacturers in Colorado represent a diverse range of business sectors, including aerospace, biomedical, electronics, energy, and food and beverage; and

WHEREAS, our state's central geographic location and connective infrastructure help enable a strong global supply chain; and

WHEREAS, Colorado is home to several research institutions working to uncover new advances in technology and new advanced processes to better produce goods; and

WHEREAS, Coloradans are today encouraged to recognize and celebrate the importance of manufacturing in our state in order to (a) increase awareness about manufacturing careers in Colorado; (b) redefine the image of manufacturing and showcase the wide range of career opportunities available; and (c) prepare Coloradans for well-paying manufacturing jobs through education and training;

Therefore, I, John W. Hickenlooper, Governor of the entire State of Colorado, do hereby proclaim, forever after, January 25, 2017, as

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in the State of Colorado.



GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this twenty-fifth day of January, 2017

John W. Hickenlooper

Governor