



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The manufacturing industry is a critically important part of Minnesota's diverse economy; and
- WHEREAS: Manufacturing contributed \$58.7 billion to Minnesota's economy in 2022, representing 13% of the state's gross domestic product; and
- WHEREAS: Manufactured exports brought \$24 billion into the Minnesota economy in 2022; and
- WHEREAS: Workers took home \$24.9 billion in wages from Minnesota manufacturing jobs in 2022, the second-largest total payroll among private sector industries; and
- WHEREAS: Manufacturing in Minnesota pays an average annual wage of \$76,950, which is 10% higher than the state's overall average private sector wage; and
- WHEREAS: Manufacturing provides more than 325,000 highly skilled, well-paying jobs, which significantly contribute to Minnesota's high standard of living and economic vitality; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota added more than 10,000 manufacturing jobs from 2021 to 2022, and the manufacturing industry set a new record with nearly 19,000 job vacancies in 2022; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota expects to see more than 75,000 job openings for manufacturing production positions alone through 2030; and
- WHEREAS: There are more than 8,550 manufacturing companies in Minnesota, making a wide range of products that improve life, create solutions, and bring joy here in Minnesota and around the world.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim October 2023 as:

## MANUFACTURING MONTH

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 4<sup>th</sup> day of October.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tim Walz".

GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Pimon".

SECRETARY OF STATE