

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

MANUFACTURING DAY

WHEREAS: More than 417,000 Georgians are employed in manufacturing; and WHEREAS: Georgia manufacturers boost the state's economic growth, provide jobs for skilled workers, and support jobs outside the manufacturing sector; and WHEREAS: Total manufacturing output in 2022 in Georgia was \$54.82 billion, accounting for 11.06% of Georgia's total gross state product; and WHEREAS: Workforce development, training and education are critical tools to support manufacturers in Georgia, many of whom are facing a gap in skilled labor; and WHEREAS: As the No. 1 state for business and a leader in the development of manufacturing career pathways, the State of Georgia continues to work to change outdated understandings of manufacturing, promote the importance of this industry, and help make its citizens aware of the many diverse products manufactured in Georgia that support our quality of life; and WHEREAS: Organizations such as the Georgia Association of Manufacturers host events to coincide with National Manufacturing Day on October 6, 2023, to enable manufacturers to come together to address their collective opportunities and challenges to ensure their communities and future generations thrive; now THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim October 6, 2023, as MANUFACTURING DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 24th day of July in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.

