WHEREAS; a diverse and dynamic manufacturing industry is part of Wisconsin’s economic backbone, employing more than 472,000 Wisconsinites, accounting for almost 19 percent of gross domestic product, and generating over $64 billion in economic output annually; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin’s manufacturing industry provides significant well-paying employment opportunities, underscoring the necessity of a robust economic and workforce infrastructure to support new and growing businesses; and

WHEREAS; our government agencies and partnering organizations play a key role in supporting Wisconsin manufacturing by advocating for worker’s rights, ensuring workplace safety, and providing skill-building opportunities for people statewide, including individuals with disabilities, justice-involved individuals, and other folks who might otherwise struggle to enter the workforce; and

WHEREAS; this occasion serves as a reminder to all Wisconsinites of the numerous contributions of our manufacturing businesses and talent development resources, as well as of the strength and continued growth of our manufacturing community; and

WHEREAS; today and throughout this month, the state of Wisconsin reaffirms its commitment to helping future generations explore career opportunities in manufacturing and to the growth, prosperity, and economic advancement of all workers, employers, and jobseekers in order to build a Wisconsin that works for everyone;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim October 2021 as

MANUFACTURING MONTH

and October 1, 2021, as

MANUFACTURING DAY

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our state’s residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 30th day of September 2021.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State