



By His Excellency Ned Lamont, Governor: an  
**Official Statement**

*W*HEREAS, manufacturing has a long and illustrious history in Connecticut; and

*W*HEREAS, manufacturers are helping lead our recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic and national economic crisis; and

*W*HEREAS, manufacturers have been essential to our pandemic response as they mobilized in historic ways to produce protective equipment, to develop vaccines and treatments and to continue supplying our daily essentials; and

*W*HEREAS, while Connecticut's citizens have seen the demise of the brass, woolen, silver, and clock industries throughout the State, Connecticut's businesses are currently inventing and deploying the technologies of the future to make our lives better and strengthen our economy; and

*W*HEREAS, Connecticut's manufacturers and their workers are recognized as some of the most capable and productive in the world; and

*W*HEREAS, manufacturers are saying, "Creators Wanted," as they search for and hire talented individuals of diverse backgrounds to bolster this innovation and fill hundreds of thousands of open jobs nationwide; and

*W*HEREAS, according to a study by The Manufacturing Institute and Deloitte, manufacturers expect to fill 4.6 million jobs between now and 2028; and

*W*HEREAS, government, industry and communities need to unite to encourage more young people to explore the possibilities of modern manufacturing and learn about the opportunities in the industry to lead early on in their careers, design, work in teams, use the latest technology and build the future; and

*W*HEREAS, the economic future of Connecticut depends on a strong, growing, and competitive modern manufacturing industry; and

*W*HEREAS, Manufacturing Day provides students, parents, teachers and community leaders a chance to see the promising career opportunities in modern manufacturing and for all people to come together to celebrate the contributions of modern manufacturing to Connecticut; now

*T*HEREFORE, I, Ned Lamont, Governor of the State of Connecticut, do hereby proclaim October 2, 2020 as

**MANUFACTURING DAY**

in the State of Connecticut.

*Ned Lamont*

GOVERNOR

