Manufacturing is a dynamic and robust industry, crucial to the health and strength of Minnesota’s diverse economy; and

Manufacturing added $52.7 billion to Minnesota’s economy in 2018, representing the second-largest contribution (14 percent) to the state’s gross domestic product by any industry; and

Workers took home $21.6 billion in wages from Minnesota manufacturing jobs in 2018, the second-largest total payroll among private sector industries; and

Manufacturing exports brought $21 billion into the Minnesota economy in 2018; and

Manufacturing in Minnesota pays an average annual wage of $67,098, which is 15 percent higher than the state’s overall average wage; and

Manufacturing provides 322,000 skilled, well-paying jobs, which significantly contribute to Minnesota’s high standard of living and economic vitality.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of October 1-7, 2019, as:

MINNESOTA MANUFACTURING WEEK

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 30th day of September.

GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE