

Proclamation

WHEREAS, over the next decade, manufacturers will need to fill 4.6 million jobs across the country; and

WHEREAS, modern manufacturing is a technology-driven industry that offers secure, well-paying jobs; and

WHEREAS, the Chamber of Commerce Hawai'i, as the state's leading business organization since 1850, represents about 2,000 businesses and works on behalf of its members to improve the state's economic climate and foster positive action on issues of common concern; and

WHEREAS, the INNOVATE Hawai'i program is administered by the Hawai'i Technology Development Corporation and assists small to medium-sized manufacturers and pre-manufacturers to expand their business for the global market; and

WHEREAS, Manufacturing Day gives students, parents, teachers, and community and government leaders an opportunity to learn about what manufacturing is and what it is not; and

WHEREAS, companies and educational institutions are encouraged to share their facilities and information on Manufacturing Day to educate future generations, remove misconceptions about manufacturing, address the skilled labor shortage and ensure the prosperity of the manufacturing industry; and

WHEREAS, the Chamber of Commerce Hawai'i and INNOVATE Hawai'i will be hosting a virtual manufacturing program to highlight the importance of manufacturing in our community and the U.S. economy;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim October 2, 2020 as

"MANUFACTURING DAY"

in Hawai'i and ask all citizens of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the many contributions of the state's manufacturers to our dynamic community and thriving economy and learn about the industry and its many career opportunities.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-eighth day of August 2020.

And ye **DAVID Y. IGE**

Governor, State of Hawai'i