



# State of New York

## Executive Chamber

### Proclamation

**Whereas**, across New York State and our entire nation, manufacturing represents a vital sector of our economy and workforce, with many companies and industries fostering growth within our communities; and

**Whereas**, throughout our history, a strong manufacturing base was visible in the abundant factories and jobs that provided a foundation for the cities and towns that rose across the Empire State; often sparked by the creativity, ingenuity, and resourcefulness of pioneers of invention and discovery, manufacturing led to higher employment levels and increased production of goods and services for people in this state, all of America, and around the world; and

**Whereas**, the manufacturing sector not only continues to be the backbone of our state and local economies, but has given New York a competitive edge in national and international commerce, and is one of the most important factors in the emergence of New York State as a major force and center of global economics and world markets; and

**Whereas**, today, new companies are discovering that New York is open for business and that, more than ever, we are offering optimum opportunities for industries seeking to establish new manufacturing facilities, relocate or expand existing facilities, and foster job growth; as key components of economic development in our state, the ten Regional Economic Development Councils recognize the importance of manufacturing industries and support them through long-term planning efforts and innovative strategies for investing in economic growth, job creation, and community development in each region; and

**Whereas**, recent survey findings reflect this positive change, indicating that approximately half of our state's manufacturing companies have increased their investments in plant equipment in the past five years, that employment levels are steadily increasing, and that three relevant indicators – current economic conditions, current state of the manufacturing industry, and economic development options available to companies – had higher positive ratings when compared to previous years' levels; and

**Whereas**, while today's global market is increasingly competitive and challenging for all manufacturing companies, New York State is witnessing an increase in the growth and expansion of manufacturing in many areas – from cutting-edge technology to the food, wine, beer, spirits, and cider industry; manufacturers are continually developing new and improved products and achieving groundbreaking advancements that bear the hallmarks of innovative thinking and inspired vision, and New York State recognizes the critical importance of the manufacturing community in providing momentum as we build a more robust and invigorated economy in our state;

**Now, Therefore**, I, Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, do hereby proclaim October 2014 as

## MANUFACTURING MONTH

in the Empire State.



**G i v e n** under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State at  
the Capitol in the City of Albany this twenty-ninth day  
of September in the year two thousand fourteen.

Governor

Secretary to the Governor