

Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, manufacturing is the production of merchandise for use or sale using labor, machines, tools, and chemical and biological processing, and while the term most often refers to industrial production, it can include handicraft and high-technology human activity; and

WHEREAS, manufacturing has historically and continues to contribute significantly to our nation, state and city economically, providing goods and employment opportunities for a vast variety of individuals including administrative positions, purchasing, assembly line workers, quality control inspectors, and suppliers; and

WHEREAS, National Manufacturing Day, held annually the first Friday in October, was established to expand knowledge about, and improve public perception of, manufacturing careers and manufacturing's value to the United States of America's economy; and

WHEREAS, throughout the United States, around the state of Florida and in the Tampa Bay region, Manufacturing Associations support manufacturers, promote economic development, provide a forum for exchanging information and networking for its memberships, and out reach to the community through educational and awareness initiatives that share the high-skilled career opportunities available and the contributions manufacturing makes to the economic health of our city, state, and nation; and

WHEREAS, during National Manufacturing Day, students, parents, educators, media, customers, suppliers, and communities are invited to learn about career opportunities, training, and resources, and manufacturers learn about business improvement resources and services delivered through manufacturing extension partnerships.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim Friday, October 2, 2015 as

"NATIONAL MANUFACTURING DAY"

in the city of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in recognizing the important role manufacturing plays in our economy and the jobs and goods it provides.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 8th day of September, 2015.

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