



**STATE OF TEXAS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

Texas boasts a strong and robust economy, thanks to our business-focused climate, our superior economic development efforts, and our record-breaking success in business attraction and expansion. Texas is home to some of the best and brightest economic developers in the nation, and the state's entrepreneurial spirit is showcased in these professionals who work each day to provide positive economic opportunities by attracting capital investments and new jobs in their communities, thus benefiting the state's economy. Economic developers in the Lone Star State help uphold Texas' status as the top state in the nation for business vitality, job creation, and economic opportunity.

Economic developers play essential roles in the growth of our economy as they create, retain, and expand job opportunities that facilitate growth, enhance wealth, and provide a stable tax base to their cities and regions. These dedicated professionals are engaged in a wide variety of settings, from rural and urban communities to local, state, provincial, and federal governments, public-private partnerships, chambers of commerce, universities, and a variety of other institutions. Texas' low taxes, reasonable regulatory structure, and business-friendly climate support economic developers' efforts in attracting new investments, retaining high-quality jobs, and cultivating vibrant communities.

Each May, we dedicate a week as Economic Development Week to recognize the hardworking men and women of our ever-growing workforce who focus on building an even bigger and brighter Texas of tomorrow. For Texas to remain America's prime destination for businesses and job seekers, we must continue to expand and advance our business climate to ensure our state's future success for generations to come.

At this time, I encourage all Texans to actively support local businesses and recognize the crucial role they play in improving the quality of life in communities across the state. Together, we will continue to build a better and more prosperous future for all Texans.


Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim May 8 – 12, 2023, to be

Economic Development Week



in Texas and urge the appropriate recognition whereof.

In official recognition whereof,
I hereby affix my signature this the
8th day of May, 2023.


Governor of Texas