



STATE OF TEXAS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

The Texas spirit has long been defined by innovation, ingenuity, and a relentless work ethic, seminal traits that are especially evident in our manufacturing industry. This vital sector of commerce has, quite literally, built the Lone Star State as we know it. The manufacturers of Texas have earned their rightful place as national and international leaders, contributing directly to the great Texas Miracle.

Modern transportation infrastructure—from seaports and airports to highways and railways—could not exist without manufacturers, whose work enables Texas to operate at the speed of business. Furthermore, our manufacturing industry, through innovation, dependability, and unrivaled quality, has ensured that “Made in Texas” remains one of the most powerful global brands of our time.

We have been America’s top exporting state for an astounding twenty-one years in a row, thus securing our status as the manufacturing capital of the nation. The Lone Star State, thanks in no small part to our manufacturers, is an economic powerhouse, and our output accounts for a staggering percentage of the country’s gross domestic product while dominating the list of America’s 500 largest public manufacturing companies.

Essential products of today are manufactured in Texas, as are the cutting-edge technologies of tomorrow. Accordingly, modern-day titans of industry have taken up the “Gone to Texas” banner, relocating to or expanding in the Lone Star State due to our entrepreneurial tradition and business-friendly environment.

Today the manufacturing industry encompasses such subfields as aerospace, defense, and petrochemical. Whether it be the GlobiTech silicon wafer facility in Sherman, the Samsung semiconductor plant in Taylor, or the Tesla lithium refinery in Corpus Christi, Texas is forging ahead into the future, and our manufacturing sector is leading the way.

In addition to its incredible impact on the broader macroeconomy, manufacturing is an uplifting force in communities of every size. This large, diverse field creates good-paying jobs for hardworking Texans, and it has fueled Texas’ record-shattering job growth. Ultimately, manufacturing affords one the opportunity to build a better life for one’s family while also building a better state for us all. I therefore applaud the crucial role that manufacturing plays in the larger story of Texas and her people.

At this time, I encourage all Texans to celebrate this vital industry and to learn more about the many career opportunities it provides. During Manufacturing Week and hereafter, let us take pride in and preserve our mighty manufacturing heritage. By so doing, we will press onward to the brighter future that awaits us.

Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim October 2–6, 2023, to be

Manufacturing Week



in Texas and urge all Texans to observe the occasion with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto affixed my signature this 25th day of September, 2023.

Handwritten signature of Greg Abbott in black ink.

Governor of Texas