STATE *of* WISCONSIN

OFFICE *of the* GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; manufacturers are the backbone of Wisconsin's economy, employing nearly 450,000 Wisconsinites and contributing nearly $50 billion to Wisconsin's economic growth; and

WHEREAS; manufacturing in Wisconsin has moved rapidly into the 21st century, developing cutting-edge technologies that keep Wisconsin businesses at the forefront of innovation; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's workforce, including those in Wisconsin's first-in-the-nation apprenticeship program, continues to provide outstanding talent in many specialized and highly technical fields; and

WHEREAS; the State of Wisconsin is wholeheartedly committed to ensuring that Wisconsin manufacturers and workers can access the resources needed to thrive, including significant investments to support workforce and economic development efforts; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's government agencies are working in tandem with Wisconsin's job creators, including manufacturers, to enable private-sector job creation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim October 2013, as

MANUFACTURING MONTH

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 6th day of September 2013.

SCOTT WALKER
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State