

~ PROCLAMATION ~

WHEREAS, manufacturing is the cornerstone of Washington's economy, accounting for 61% of Washington exports and representing 13% of the Gross Domestic Product; and

WHEREAS, emerging technologies like 3D printing, unmanned aerial vehicles (UAV), solar cells, robotics, wave buoys and wind turbine components provide high paying jobs for Washingtonians and a vital economic base for Washington; and

WHEREAS, the manufacturing sector fuels Washington's economic growth and provides 19,750 jobs for Southwest Washingtonians including careers like welders, mechanics, pipefitters, machine operators, engineers, accountants, IT professionals, business development and management professions; and

WHEREAS, college degrees that are in demand in the manufacturing sector include engineering, computer science, business, economics, math machine manufacturing technology, welding; and

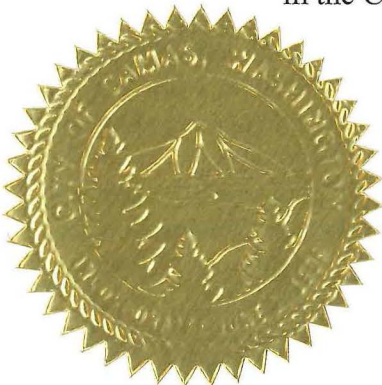
WHEREAS, Workforce Southwest Washington in partnership with Southwest Washington STEM Network, Columbia River Economic Development Council, Clark College, Educational School District 112, Impact Washington, Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce, Lower Columbia College, Southwest Washington High Tech Council, Washington State University Vancouver, WorkSource Vancouver and numerous local agencies and organizations, which strive to assure that Southwest Washington has a well prepared manufacturing workforce that provides new and rewarding manufacturing careers in Southwest Washington;

THEREFORE, I, Scott Higgins, Mayor of the City of Camas, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2016, as:

“Manufacturing Month”

in the City of Camas and encourage all citizens to join in this observance.

In witness whereof, I have set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Camas to be affixed this 3rd day of October, 2016.



Scott Higgins, Mayor