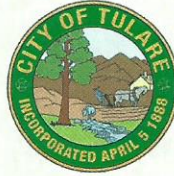


City of Tulare, California



PROCLAMATION

OCTOBER - MANUFACTURING AWARENESS AND APPRECIATION MONTH

Whereas, Manufacturing Day is celebrated nationally on the first Friday of the month of October to showcase manufacturers and increase awareness of manufacturing careers; and,

Whereas, manufacturing jobs are critical to the economy and provide living wages with long-term career opportunities; the manufacturing sector includes food processing, milk processing, beverage manufacturing, nut processing, paper products, food packaging, plastic products, steel products etc. and are the backbone of the economy; and,

Whereas, increasing awareness and opportunities to gain knowledge among students, parents, and community of local manufacturing careers is essential to encouraging manufacturing pathways as well as identifying manufacturing careers within their immediate surroundings; and,

Whereas, coordinated and aligned efforts of public and private organizations is needed to collectively address the challenges of the skilled labor shortage; and,

Whereas, filling skilled labor shortage requires aligning and leveraging the efforts of public, private and nonprofit organizations; and,

Whereas, by working together with manufacturers, educational system, Workforce Investment Board, Economic Development Corporation, Chamber of Commerce, and other public and private organizations, the skilled labor shortage for short term can be solved, and long-term solutions can be developed; and,

Whereas, showcasing the regional commitment to manufacturing in the San Joaquin Valley will encourage local expansion and attraction from other markets.

Now, therefore, I, David Macedo, Mayor of the City of Tulare, declare the Month of October, as the "Manufacturing Awareness and Appreciation Month" and declare our communities and manufacturers will work collaboratively with the San Joaquin Valley Manufacturing Cluster in creating a world class Career Technical Education Ecosystem to support and grow the manufacturing sector.

Dated this 4th day of August, 2015



David Macedo
David Macedo, Mayor