PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the metric system, known as the International System of Units (SI), is a universal decimal-based measurement system developed to harmonize essential measurements that underpin science and technology; and

WHEREAS, legalized by the United States Congress in 1866 and declared the preferred system of weights and measures for Trade and Commerce; and

WHEREAS, the development of the metric system as an international system has contributed to advances in global commerce, science, and technology; and

WHEREAS, SI familiarity and fluency developed along the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) career pipeline helps prepare the future U.S. workforce; and

WHEREAS, National Metric Week draws attention to the educational and economic benefits of using the metric system;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kim Reynolds, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby proclaim October 9-15 as:

Iowa Metric Week

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREBY SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF IOWA TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES MOINES THIS _9_ DAY OF OCTOBER IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-TWO.

Kim Reynolds
GOVERNOR OF IOWA

ATTEST:

PAUL PATE
SECRETARY OF STATE