The State of Washington

Proclamation

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

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

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

WHEREAS, Teaching Système Internationale (SI) proficiency is fundamental to an informed citizenry, strengthens Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics (STEAM) careers and is a linchpin for the development of a world class US workforce of the future;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jay Inslee, governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim October 8-14, 2023, as

Metric Week

in Washington, and I urge all people in our state to join me in this special observance.

Signed this 11th day of August, 2023

Governor Jay Inslee