



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

WHEREAS, Teaching 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;

THEREFORE, I, Jared Polis, Governor of the State of Colorado, do hereby proclaim the period of time between October 8 and October 14, 2023, as

METRIC WEEK

in the State of Colorado.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this eighth day of October, 2023



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jared Polis".

*Jared Polis
Governor*