

STATE OF INDIANA  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
INDIANAPOLIS

Executive Order

# PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS:

- WHEREAS,** the metric system, also known as the International System of Units or SI, is a universal decimal-based system of measurement that was created to better standardize measurements that are essential to science and technology across different countries, cultures, and languages; and
- WHEREAS,** the metric system was legally recognized by the United States government in 1866, and its development as an international form of measurement has contributed to advances in commerce, science, and technology, both in our country and beyond; and
- WHEREAS,** the metric system is universally used in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields, and fluency in or familiarity with SI is an essential part of career and workforce readiness in the 21st century; and
- WHEREAS,** today, the state of Indiana joins organizations and educational institutions in working towards greater SI literacy in Indiana and in acknowledging the potential of the metric system to better connect the state and country with the world;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Eric J. Holcomb,** Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby proclaim October 8-14, 2023 as

## METRIC WEEK

in the State of Indiana, and invite all citizens to duly note this occasion.

*In Testimony Whereof, I hereto  
set my hand and cause to be affixed the  
Great Seal of State. Done at the  
City of Indianapolis, this 26th  
day of September the year of our  
Lord 2023 and of the Independence  
of the United States 248.*



BY THE GOVERNOR:

*Eric Holcomb*