

The State of Washington



Proclamation

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

WHEREAS, teaching the International System of Units (SI) strengthens the learning of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics (STEAM) and is fundamental to an informed citizenry;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jay Inslee, governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim October 6-12, 2024, as

Metric Week

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

Signed this 13th day of September, 2024

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jay Inslee".

Governor Jay Inslee

