

A 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, 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,

Now, Therefore, I, Maura T. Healey, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do hereby proclaim October 6th through 12th, 2024, to be,

METRIC WEEK

And urge all residents of the Commonwealth to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.

Given at the Executive Chamber in Boston, this first day of October, in the year two thousand and twenty-four, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and forty-eighth.

By HER EXCELLENCY

MAURA T. HEALEY
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