

The State of Washington



Proclamation

WHEREAS, the International System of Units (SI), known as the metric system, is a universal, decimal-based measurement system developed to harmonize essential measurements that underpin science and technology; and

WHEREAS, SI was legalized by the United States Congress in 1866 and declared the preferred system of weights and measures for trade and commerce; and

WHEREAS, teaching SI proficiency strengthens science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics (STEAM) careers and is fundamental to an informed population; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Ferguson, governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim October 5-11, 2025, as

Metric Week

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

Signed this 24th day of September, 2025


Governor Bob Ferguson

