

## MANUFACTURING MONTH OCTOBER 1 – 31, 2018

WHEREAS:

manufacturing makes a significant contribution to British Columbia's economy

and the prosperity of its citizens; and

WHEREAS:

Nanaimo is home to over 130 manufacturers with many leading innovations in

sectors such as fabricated metal products, food manufacturing and wood products;

and

WHEREAS:

in British Columbia manufacturing is the third largest contributor to the provincial economy generating \$51.4 billion in value-added output – equivalent to

7.1% of all economic activity in BC; and

WHEREAS:

Over 61% of the province's exports are manufactured goods; and

WHEREAS:

the Job Plan introduced Advanced Manufacturing as one of four Jobs Plan sectors that are expected to see major growth in the coming years, creating sustainable,

long-term, high-paying jobs for our next generation; and

WHEREAS:

manufacturing provides well-paying, high-skilled employment opportunities to

174,200 people across the province with wages that are nearly 16.5% higher than

the provincial average; and

WHEREAS:

Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters (CME) and partner organizations such as; boards of trades, chambers, academic institutions, municipal and provincial governments are presenting an intense calendar of events, workshops and 30 youth plant tours through the month of October to heighten the profile of manufacturing and reinforce that manufacturing professions and skilled trade

occupations are inspiring and rewarding careers; and

WHEREAS:

it is important to remember manufacturing matters: everything each citizen

encounters on a daily basis was created, designed, developed, and produced by a

manufacturer.

NOW THEREFORE I, Bill McKay, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby proclaim and declare that October 1 to 31, 2018 shall be known as:

'MANUFACTURING MONTH

in the City of Nanaimo.

Bill McKay MAYOR

DATED THIS 24th DAY OF JULY 2018