

PROCLAMATION

MANUFACTURING MONTH OCTOBER 1~31, 2021

- 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 \$53 billion in value~added output ~ equivalent to 6.9% of BC's gross domestic product; and

WHEREAS: over 58.8% of the province's exports are manufactured goods; and

- WHEREAS: the provincial government is committed to partnering with manufactures to develop a multiyear growth strategy to support the sector in meeting its staffing needs and to expand exports; and
- WHEREAS: manufacturing provides well~paying, highly skilled employment opportunities to 165,800 employees paying 13% above the average wage; and
- WHEREAS: Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters (CME) and partner organizations are presenting events and planning communications 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, Leonard Krog, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby proclaim October $1 \sim 31,2021$ as:

MANUFACTURING MONTH

in the City of Nanaimo, British Columbia.

Leonard Krog M A Y O R

Dated this 25th day of August 2021