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SENATE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The process of manufacturing includes the  
3 mechanical, physical, or chemical transformation of materials,  
4 substances, or components into new products and involves  
5 establishments such as plants, factories, and mills; and

6           WHEREAS, The definition of manufacturing extends to  
7 establishments that transform materials into new products  
8 engaged in distribution to the general public such as  
9 bakeries, candy stores, and tailors; and

10           WHEREAS, The manufacturing industry has provided many  
11 contributions to the State and nation; and

12           WHEREAS, The manufacturing sector employs 550,000 workers  
13 across the State of Illinois and produces \$108 billion in  
14 total output; and

15           WHEREAS, The manufacturing sector comprises approximately  
16 78% of total production in the United States; and

17           WHEREAS, Manufacturing is an ever-evolving sector that  
18 affects the wellness of any economy; and

19           WHEREAS, Illinois manufacturers have played a significant

1 role in empowering Illinois communities through the production  
2 of medical supplies since the inception of COVID-19, and they  
3 continue to provide support to the State and larger national  
4 network; and

5 WHEREAS, The State of Illinois has made investments to  
6 bolster the manufacturing industry and prepare communities for  
7 its future growth under Governor Pritzker; and

8 WHEREAS, We are now entering the fourth industrial  
9 revolution, where new discoveries in artificial intelligence,  
10 robotics, technology, and genetics will result in dramatic  
11 changes to how we live and work; and

12 WHEREAS, Manufacturing careers in the 21st century will  
13 also feature clean energy; and

14 WHEREAS, Illinois should continue to provide the tools and  
15 skills that our diverse workforce will need to succeed in the  
16 new jobs of the future; and

17 WHEREAS, Manufacturing must become a rewarding and  
18 attractive career for younger workers, non-traditional  
19 students, and previously underrepresented groups; and

20 WHEREAS, National Manufacturing Month brings much needed

1 awareness to the challenges the industry faces by encouraging  
2 manufacturers and organizations to address current  
3 shortcomings and prepare for its development; and

4 WHEREAS, National Manufacturing Month acknowledges and  
5 thanks the work of manufacturers and the individuals that  
6 operate them; and

7 WHEREAS, A number of states observe Manufacturing Day  
8 throughout the month of October, including California, New  
9 York, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, and Ohio, some of the  
10 largest manufacturing states in the country; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL  
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we declare October  
13 2021 as "Manufacturing Month" in the State of Illinois; and be  
14 it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
16 presented to the Illinois Manufacturers' Association as a  
17 symbol of our respect and esteem.