

*A PROCLAMATION
MANUFACTURING APPRECIATION WEEK*

WHEREAS: Manufacturing adds value to raw materials through the application of and investment in tools, technology, and talent; and

WHEREAS: Manufacturing facilities located in Walton County provide 3,131 jobs and generate more than \$243 million in wages for our citizens and their families; and

WHEREAS: Manufacturing represents one of the largest business segments of Walton County's private sector and contributes more than \$580 million to our economy annually; and

WHEREAS: Walton County's manufacturing operations include a wide variety of product families, such as pharmaceuticals, automotive parts, plastics, bedding products, building materials, commercial and industrial equipment, steel, doors and windows, printing, and wood products; and

WHEREAS: Manufacturing Appreciation Week promotes industry and manufacturing in Georgia through education and increased public awareness that celebrate the achievements of manufacturers in our community, acknowledging their critical and fundamental importance to the prosperity of our economy;

NOW THEREFORE: be it resolved that the Walton County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim October 6 – 12, 2023, as MANUFACTURING APPRECIATION WEEK in Walton County, Georgia.

So proclaimed this the 3rd day of October, 2023.

**David G. Thompson, Chairman
Walton County Board of Commissioners**