

# PROCLAMATION

The United States Department of Labor has continually sought to make the American workplace safer, healthier, and fairer for everyone. Working families of Philadelphia, across the country, and across the world have benefited from the hard work of the US Department of Labor. For the past 100 years, the Department's efforts have assured work-related benefits and rights and protected the wage earners, job seekers, and retirees of the United States.

On March 4, 1913, President William Howard Taft signed the bill establishing the Department of Labor as a Cabinet-level department. The Department has evolved to meet the changing needs of a changing workforce by partnering with employers, community organizations, and institutions of higher learning to improve job training, provide lifelong learning opportunities, and advance efforts for profitable employment.

The United States Department of Labor is responsible for occupational safety, wage and hour standards, unemployment insurance benefits, re-employment services, and some economic statistics. These mandates and the regulations that implement them cover many workplace activities for about 10 million employers and 125 million workers.

The inestimable value of the services provided by the United States Department of Labor will remain of paramount importance to the well-being of all Americans and will address tomorrow's conditions and meet the needs of the future with the same insight, foresight, and passion it has shown for the past century.

## **THEREFORE...**

I, Michael A. Nutter, Mayor of the City of Philadelphia, do hereby proclaim Monday, March 4, 2013 as the

### **Centennial Anniversary of the United States Department of Labor**

and encourage all citizens to recognize the importance of the United States Department of Labor and its efforts in fostering, promoting, and developing fair working rights and conditions throughout the United States.

  
Michael A. Nutter  
Mayor

Given under my hand and the Seal of  
the City of Philadelphia on this Fourth  
day of March, two thousand and thirteen

