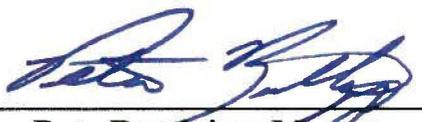


- WHEREAS,** for the past 100 years, the United States Department of Labor has fostered, promoted, and developed the welfare of wage earners, job seekers, and retirees of this country; and
- WHEREAS,** the United States Department of Labor has continually sought to make the American workplace safer, healthier and fairer for everyone; and
- WHEREAS,** working families in the City of South Bend, across the country, and throughout the world have benefitted from the United States Department of Labor's efforts to assure work-related benefits and rights, including the right to be paid fairly for every hour labored; and
- WHEREAS,** the United States Department of Labor 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; and
- WHEREAS,** the impact of the United States Department of Labor has reached outside the confines of the workplace, touching people's lives at all stages, by allowing parents to take leave and tend to loved ones; training veterans and young people for the careers of a lifetime; and guaranteeing the pensions of retired workers; and
- WHEREAS,** 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 that it will address tomorrow's conditions and meet the needs of future workers with the same insight, foresight, and passion it has shown for the past century.

Therefore, I, Pete Buttigieg, Mayor of the City of South Bend, Indiana, do hereby proclaim and celebrate Monday, March 4, 2013 as the Centennial Anniversary of the United States Department of Labor. I ask our citizens to join me in honoring and recognizing this organization's continued efforts to improve the lives of working families for the past one hundred years and for many, many more to come.



**Signed and sealed this fifteenth
day of February two thousand thirteen**



Pete Buttigieg, Mayor