



State of New York

Executive Chamber

Proclamation

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 New York State, 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 extended beyond 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, for the past century, the United States Department of Labor has worked to protect the rights and safety of employees, and its efforts have led to the establishment of labor standards and practices that benefit people today – from occupational safety and health laws, to mandatory wage laws and work conditions; we acknowledge the Department of Labor's contributions to the working men and women who are the backbone of our economy;

Now, Therefore, I, Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, do hereby recognize the

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and acknowledge its contributions to the workforce of the Empire State and our entire nation.

G i v e n under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State at the Capitol in the City of Albany on this first day of April in the year two thousand thirteen.



Governor

Secretary to the Governor