

# STATE OF MICHIGAN



## CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN,  
I, Gretchen Whitmer, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim

July 31 - August 6, 2023

as

**BUY MICHIGAN WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, Michigan is home to vibrant industries including manufacturing, agriculture, and tourism; and,

**WHEREAS**, buying locally encourages small business growth and helps maintain good paying jobs in Michigan; and,

**WHEREAS**, if Michigan shoppers switched just one in ten of their out-of-state purchases to a Michigan retailer, it would generate an additional \$2.2 billion in economic activity and create more than 16,000 new jobs, amounting to \$660 million in additional wages; and,

**WHEREAS**, each purchase made at a Michigan store keeps more money in our communities, improves the vitality of our local economies and quality of life, and directly supports our communities, our schools, and our infrastructure; and,

**WHEREAS**, when we buy locally, we strengthen Michigan's economy; and,

**WHEREAS**, during this week and throughout the year, we encourage Michiganders to take advantage of the wonderful industries our state has to offer by "buying Michigan" and show support for Michigan-based businesses across the state;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Gretchen Whitmer, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim July 31 - August 6, 2023, as Buy Michigan Week in Michigan.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gretchen Whitmer".

Gretchen Whitmer  
Governor

