

# STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; fabrication laboratories (fab labs) in public schools throughout Wisconsin are providing students with access to hands-on experience and training to help prepare them for the jobs of the 21<sup>st</sup> century; and

*WHEREAS*; fab labs allow students to put into practice concepts they have learned in science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics (STEAM) courses, which will benefit them regardless of the career path they choose after high school; and

*WHEREAS*; in addition to benefiting students, Wisconsin's fab labs are accessible to the community and contribute more broadly to economic development by sparking innovation among local entrepreneurs, inventors, and small businesses; and

*WHEREAS*; Wisconsin's Fab Labs Program is fostering collaboration and a sharing of resources among schools, technical colleges, and universities throughout the state; and

*WHEREAS*; the State of Wisconsin, through the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation, has shown its commitment to fab labs by providing grants to public school districts statewide to purchase equipment to create new labs or expand existing ones; and

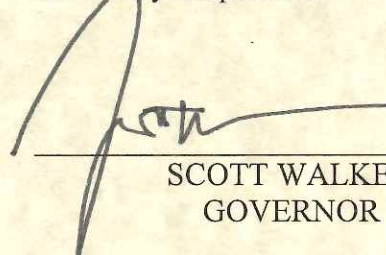
*WHEREAS*; the State of Wisconsin is committed to continuing to build fab lab capacity to meet demand from schools as the state focuses on workforce needs;

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim Tuesday, April 25, 2017 as

## FAB LAB DAY

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April 2017.



SCOTT WALKER  
GOVERNOR



By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State