**Whereas** facility management (FM) is a profession dedicated to ensuring the functionality, comfort, safety, sustainability and efficiency of the buildings in which we all live and work;

**Whereas** facility managers ensure that buildings and all components work properly, whether the space is a factory, office, hospital, shopping mall, airport, museum or stadium;

**Whereas** facility managers perform and oversee a variety of essential functions, including cleaning, security, maintenance, grounds management, emergency response, disaster mitigation, project management, real estate management and sustainability planning;

**Whereas** facility managers perform essential duties in response to crises, such as the COVID-19 pandemic, ensuring that we return to the safest buildings possible;

**Whereas** FM is a crucial part of every organization because it ensures that the places we use are safe, comfortable and healthy;

**Whereas** organizations such as the International Facility Management Association (IFMA) serve the global FM community through career development, learning, networking opportunities and leadership skills to empower facility managers to solve challenges today and in the future;

**Whereas** World FM Day recognizes the efforts of the FM profession anywhere that facility management professionals influence the health, safety, productivity and well-being of people who utilize the built environment;

**Whereas** we are grateful for the positive impacts facility managers have on our infrastructure, the safety of our population and our economy;

**Whereas** it is fitting and proper to recognize the efforts of organizations and individuals working to ensure a safer built environment, happy and healthy occupants, and a sustainable world;

**Therefore**, I, {name}, the Governor of the State of {state}, do hereby proclaim May 10, 2023, as World Facility Management Day.