



**STATE OF TEXAS  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

The Lone Star State continues to be widely recognized as having the strongest economy in the nation. As the 10<sup>th</sup> largest economy in the world, the nation's top exporter for 16 years running and a top relocation destination for businesses and families, Texas' population is booming. However, this growth presents serious challenges, as we must maintain the workforce to build new homes, businesses and infrastructure.

Texas needs men and women dedicating their talents to the construction industry, and as a state, we must encourage students and Texans of all ages to consider construction as a worthy career option.

Each year, October is dedicated to increasing public awareness and appreciation of the construction industry. During this month, employers, trade associations and schools are encouraged to conduct job fairs, panel discussions and community events to inform students of the industry's many employment opportunities.

At this time, I encourage all Texans to learn more about our construction industry and recognize the critical role it plays in the development of Texas and the nation.

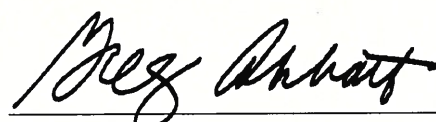
Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim October 2018 to be

## **Careers in Construction Month**



in Texas, and urge the appropriate recognition whereof.

In official recognition whereof,  
I hereby affix my signature this the  
11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.

  
Governor of Texas