WHEREAS, Careers in Construction Month is an annual month designated to increase public awareness and appreciation of construction craft professionals and the entire construction workforce;

WHEREAS, during this month, employers, associations and schools are encouraged to conduct job fairs, panel discussions, and local community events to inform students and various displaced workers of the vast employment opportunities in the construction industry;

**WHEREAS**, the construction industry is one of our nation's largest industries, employing more than 5 million individuals in the U.S. and currently needs 1.5 million new construction craft professionals by the year 2021;

**WHEREAS**, we are pleased to honor the construction industry professional and the critical role they play in the development of our state of South Carolina;

WHEREAS, the Build Your Career Initiative was created by the Carolinas AGC Foundation to take necessary actions to solve the skilled workforce shortage; to build awareness of opportunities within the construction industry; to provide resources in the form of access to training programs and constituent partnership program locations and to serve as allies in the workforce development effort;

WHEREAS, the mission of CAGC Foundation's Build Your Career Initiative is to narrow the skills gap and enhance our industry by guiding future generations of workers into opportunities that lead to long-term rewarding careers in construction and to diversify the industry;

**WHEREAS**, the goal of the Build Your Career Initiative is to elevate the image of the construction industry and facilitate the advancement and education of America's youth and various displaced workers by promoting a lifelong career in construction via clearly defined career pathways;

Governor of the State of South Carolina,	do hereby proclaim October 2018:	
CAREERS IN CONSTRUCTION MON	TH	
in the State of South Carolina and I urge	all citizens to join me in this special o	observance.
GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and the Gre	eat Seal of the Governor's Office at th	e State Capitol
in the City of Columbia on the	day in the month of	, 2018

Governor of South Carolina

NOW THEREFORE I