

# The State of Washington



## Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, there are more than 45,000 professional surveyors in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the nature of surveying has changed dramatically since the Colonial Era when the profession was defined by the description and location of land boundaries; today, surveying has expanded to include hydrographic surveys, engineering surveys utilized in the study and selection of engineering construction, geodetic surveys to determine precise global positioning for activities such as aircraft and missile navigation and cartographic surveys used for mapping and charting; and

**WHEREAS**, professional surveyors provide important services through the use of sophisticated equipment and techniques, such as satellite-borne remote sensing devices and automated positioning, measuring, recording and plotting equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, the role of the surveyor has been, and continues to be, integral in the development and advancement of our state and nation; and

**WHEREAS**, Washingtonians are encouraged to recognize professional surveyors and the important work they do for our communities and state, and to reflect on the historical contributions of surveying and the new technologies that are constantly modernizing this honored profession,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, as Governor of the State of Washington, I do hereby proclaim March 21-26 2016 as

### *Surveyors Week*

in Washington, and I urge all people in our state to join me in this special observance.

Signed this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2015



  
Governor Jay Inslee