



WHEREAS, Ball Corporation, located in Broomfield, Colorado, was founded 136 years ago by the Ball brothers and now employs almost 3,500 employees in our state and 18,700 people worldwide with \$11.0 billion in 2015 pro forma sales; and

WHEREAS, Ball Corporation and its businesses have made profound and lasting contributions to Colorado's economic well-being, its scientific and academic communities, and civic and charitable landscapes; and

WHEREAS, Ball Aerospace & Technologies Corp. ("Ball Aerospace"), located in Boulder, Colorado, was founded on this date in 1956 by Edmund Ball, and in partnership with physicists from the University of Colorado, as the Ball Brothers Research Corporation; and

WHEREAS, Ball Aerospace is a business of Ball Corporation, and is celebrating its 60th anniversary on December 3, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Ball Aerospace has been involved in many historic scientific achievements, including building the Ralph camera that returned the first high-resolution images of Pluto on the New Horizons mission; returning the first high-resolution image of Mars' surface from the HiRISE camera; building the first spacecraft, Deep Impact, to intersect a comet; building the planet-hunting spacecraft, Kepler, which has discovered more than 2,500 confirmed exoplanets; and

WHEREAS, Ball Aerospace has played a role on all four of NASA's Great Observatories: the Hubble Space Telescope, including helping to correct its blurred vision and building seven of its instruments; the Chandra X-Ray Observatory; the Compton Gamma Ray Observatory; and the Spitzer Space Telescope; and

WHEREAS, Ball Aerospace has designed and built the advanced optical technology and lightweight mirror system that will enable the James Webb Space Telescope to look 13.5 billion years back in time; and

WHEREAS, Ball Aerospace helped to advance the growth of the commercial remote sensing industry by providing spacecraft and instruments; and

WHEREAS, Ball Aerospace protects our nation by delivering actionable data and intelligence; supporting critical missions; and providing high performance antennas for tactical defense missions for land, sea, air, and space applications; and

WHEREAS, Ball Aerospace has always been powered by its creative and collaborative employees, with more than 2,300 employees in our state and more than 900 employees with 25 years or more years of dedicated service to the company;

Therefore, I, John W. Hickenlooper, Governor of the entire State of Colorado, do hereby proclaim, forever after, December 3, 2016, as

BALL DAY

in the State of Colorado.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this second day of December, 2016



John W. Hickenlooper
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Governor