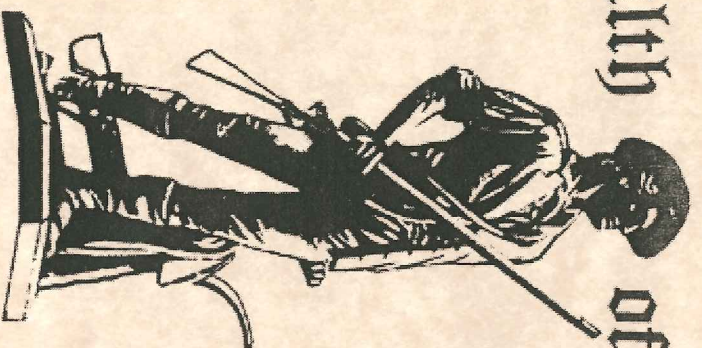


# Commonwealth of Massachusetts



## A Proclamation

His Excellency Governor Deval L. Patrick

- Whereas** Massachusetts is a global leader in the innovation economy and throughout its history has excelled in transforming technologies and industries while pushing the boundaries of innovation to new frontiers; and
- Whereas** In 2012 the first week long series of events, hosted by the innovation community highlighted Massachusetts as a center of excellence for all things related to conceiving, launching, and building new enterprises; and
- Whereas** Massachusetts is home to the world's largest start-up accelerator competition, and is leading initiatives in key innovation sectors such as big data, advanced manufacturing, life sciences, venture capital and digital games; and
- Whereas** The Massachusetts Green High Performance Computing Center will provide world-class infrastructure to enhance cooperative research, education and outreach activities; and
- Whereas** The Commonwealth has a long-term economic development plan, "Choosing to Compete in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century" focusing on supporting and growing our innovative economy; and
- Whereas** This week innovation events are happening across the Commonwealth and our leaders are pushing boundaries to understand the future of marketing, technology, big data, healthcare, start-ups and entrepreneurship,

**Now, Therefore, I, Deval L. Patrick**, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do hereby proclaim October 22-26th, 2012 to be,

## MASSACHUSETTS INNOVATION WEEK

And urge all the citizens of the Commonwealth to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.

Given at the Executive Chamber in Boston, this fifteenth day of October, in the year two thousand and twelve, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and thirty-sixth.

By His Excellency

DEVAL L. PATRICK  
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH



WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN  
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

God Save the Commonwealth of Massachusetts