



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, Hecla Mining Company, founded in 1891, is the oldest publicly traded company in Idaho; and

WHEREAS, Hecla Mining Company is North America's oldest precious metals company; and

WHEREAS, Hecla Mining Company is the largest and one of the lowest-cost producers of silver in the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, Hecla Mining Company recognizes its employees as the key to its success and longevity and diligently works to ensure and improve mine safety; and

WHEREAS, Hecla Mining Company has been an economic engine for northern Idaho and has demonstrated an exemplary long-term partnership with the State of Idaho and its local communities; and

WHEREAS, Hecla Mining Company is committed to environmental stewardship and responsible mineral development; and

WHEREAS, Hecla Mining Company has helped and will continue to help supply the world's demand for silver, gold, zinc and lead;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby recognize 2016 to be

**THE 125TH ANNIVERSARY OF HECLA
MINING COMPANY**

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 4th day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand and sixteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred fortieth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-sixth.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "C.L. Butch Otter", written over a blue watermark that says "COPY COPY COPY".

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Lawrence Denney".

LAWRENCE DENNEY
SECRETARY OF STATE