With Manufacturing Day quickly approaching, I am sharing the thoughts of Harry Moser, founder and president of the Reshoring Initiative. Read below for his updates on mining and manufacturing and to hear what you can do to help revitalize this critical sector of our economy.

-Hal Quinn

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Joe—

Manufacturing Day on Oct. 2 celebrates the important role manufacturing plays in keeping America competitive, bringing innovative new products to the market and supporting jobs for thousands of Americans. I have a longstanding family tradition in manufacturing and have worked in the industry for 48 years. During this time, I have personally seen the role manufacturing can play in supporting communities and our economy.

This Manufacturing Day is certainly one worth celebrating. There has been a recent increase in reshoring, which is driving economic growth and creating new jobs throughout the country. And I know that none of it would be possible without minerals. Watch me explain why in this video.

The growth of the U.S. manufacturing industry is reliant on its access to a steady supply of...
minerals, which are essential components of products and make up the tools necessary for production.

However, while the U.S. may be the world’s second largest manufacturing economy, it ranks seventh in mining. This is not due to a lack of resources; rather the U.S. has $6 trillion worth in mineral reserves and a rich supply of copper, silver, platinum, lithium and gold (all minerals necessary for manufacturing). However, a prolonged and inefficient permitting process inhibits access to domestically sourced minerals, causing manufacturers to often rely on mineral imports.

I have dedicated my career to bringing manufacturing and well-paying jobs back to U.S. soil. Unfortunately, the reshoring movement cannot reach its full potential if manufacturers do not have access to what lays beneath U.S. soil—the mineral resources they need for production. We need to work together to bring reform to our nation’s mineral policies and open up access to the resources manufacturers need. Together, we can work towards my goal of bringing four million offshored manufacturing jobs back to the U.S. and increasing U.S. manufacturing by 30 percent.

In honor of Manufacturing Day, take action here to tell our policymakers that it is time to reform inefficient mineral policies and bring manufacturing jobs back to the U.S.

Thank you,

Harry Moser
Founder and President of the Reshoring Initiative

Manufacturing is making a comeback. Companies are bringing operations back to the U.S. and are expected to create 2.5 to five million jobs by 2020. Watch to learn more.