



STATE *of* MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: 2022 marks the 85th Anniversary of the National Apprenticeship Act; and
- WHEREAS: National Apprenticeship Week is celebrating its 8th anniversary of raising awareness of the vital role that Registered Apprenticeships play in providing opportunities to the people of Minnesota by allowing apprentices to earn while they learn and preparing a pathway to quality jobs and family-sustaining careers, with the ability to advance in those careers; and
- WHEREAS: Registered Apprenticeship programs bring together government, industry, labor, educational institutions, community-based organizations, and economic development agencies, with a shared commitment to quality training to build a well-equipped, safe, and agile workforce in Minnesota; and
- WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota is committed to eliminating economic disparities and works with community-based organizations and apprenticeship stakeholders to develop strategies that continue to open the doors of economic opportunity for all Minnesotans through Registered Apprenticeship; and
- WHEREAS: Registered Apprenticeship programs are uniquely able to meet the changing demands of the Minnesota economy and provide a path for all qualified individuals, including women, youth, people of color, rural communities, veterans, and individuals living with disabilities, to become apprentices and contribute to all industries; and
- WHEREAS: More than 11,000 apprentices in Minnesota are actively training in over 200 registered programs in high-demand, high-growth industries such as advanced manufacturing, agriculture, construction, health care, information technology, the public sector, transportation, and utilities; and
- WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota recognizes the significant contributions and efforts of organized labor in the construction trades and their signatory employers that jointly provide apprenticeship and career opportunities to thousands of Minnesotans each year; and
- WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota recognizes the commitment of all industries to invest in their future workforce and to make a positive impact on our state's economic prosperity through Registered Apprenticeship.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim November 14-20, 2022, as:

APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 8th day of November.


GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE