

WHEREAS; every November, National Apprenticeship Week is celebrated in Wisconsin and throughout the United States to raise awareness of the vital role that apprenticeships play in creating pathways to high-paying jobs and career advancement for individuals who are invested in their learning and career development; and

WHEREAS; apprenticeship training and registered apprenticeship programs enable employers to recruit, develop, and train their future workforce while offering career seekers the opportunity to earn while they learn; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin passed the nation's first regulated apprenticeship law in 1911, and the state's apprenticeship program remains one of the most robust in the United States to this day; and

WHEREAS; the Bureau of Apprenticeship Standards within the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development's (DWD) Division of Employment and Training works in collaboration with many partners—including the Wisconsin Technical College System, the Wisconsin Apprenticeship Advisory Council, the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Apprenticeship, and representatives from labor, management, and business entities—to support and expand apprenticeship programs in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; the apprenticeship community in Wisconsin is committed to fostering innovation in apprenticeship by exploring new industries, building bridges from youth apprenticeships to registered apprenticeships, and offering apprenticeship opportunities that are inclusive of all qualified individuals, including members of historically underserved populations; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin currently has the most individuals participating in apprenticeship programs in more than two decades, with a milestone of more than 15,000 Wisconsinites working as registered apprentices and more than 6,400 youth apprentices working at a record 4,478 employers across the state as of October 2022; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin commends apprentices across the state who are earning their livelihoods while learning the skills necessary to maintain quality, family-supporting employment and joins DWD and its state and federal partners in working to support a strong talent pipeline of skilled workers for generations to come;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim November 14 through 20 2022 as

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance
to all our state's residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 11th day of November 2022.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State