

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Office of the Governor



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, National Apprenticeship Week is celebrating its 7th anniversary of raising awareness of the vital role that apprenticeships play in providing opportunities for the people of Mississippi that allow them to earn while they learn and to develop the qualifications and competencies needed for a strong and highly-skilled workforce in competitive, well-paying careers; and

WHEREAS, the advancement and well-being of Mississippi depends upon the ability to expand opportunities for all Mississippians in the state's workforce through the continued development of skilled workers in their chosen fields; and

WHEREAS, apprenticeship programs provide a proven training model that enables employers to develop and train their future workforce while offering career seekers affordable paths to secure high-paying jobs; and

WHEREAS, apprenticeship programs are uniquely able to meet the changing demands of the Mississippi economy and to provide a path for all qualified individuals to obtain the education and training required to become apprentices and contribute to thriving industries in Mississippi and throughout our nation; and

WHEREAS, the state of Mississippi recognizes that robust, industry-driven apprenticeship programs provide tangible value to both job creators and apprentices, with the potential to increase productivity, improve diversity and inclusion, and reduce recruitment and training costs while providing a pathway to prosperous careers for job seekers.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tate Reeves, Governor of Mississippi, do hereby declare November 15, 2021, through November 21, 2021, as

National Apprenticeship Week

in the State of Mississippi.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

DONE in the City of Jackson, on the 8th day of November in the year of our Lord, two thousand and twenty-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and forty-sixth.



Handwritten signature of Tate Reeves in blue ink.

TATE REEVES
GOVERNOR