

# STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

## Office of the Governor



### PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, 2022 marks the 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the National Apprenticeship Act; and

**WHEREAS**, National Apprenticeship Week is celebrating its 8th anniversary of raising awareness of the vital role that apprenticeships play in providing opportunities to the people of Mississippi by allowing apprentices to earn while they learn and to develop the qualifications and competencies needed for preparing a pathway to good, quality jobs and well-paying careers and the ability to advance in those 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 United States economy and to provide a path for all qualified individuals, including women, men, youth, people of color, rural communities, justice-involved individuals, and individuals with disabilities, to become apprentices and contribute to America's industries; and

**WHEREAS**, Mississippi recognizes and supports industry-driven apprenticeship programs, a proven training model that can train our workforce and build a pipeline into good, quality jobs in order to address our nation's workforce challenges; and

**WHEREAS**, Mississippi further 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 14, 2022, through November 20, 2022, as National Apprenticeship Week in the State of Mississippi.

### 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 20<sup>th</sup> day of October in the year of our Lord, two thousand and twenty-two, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and forty-seventh.

  
TATE REEVES  
GOVERNOR