

Ingalls Shipbuilding National Apprenticeship Week

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, 2023 marks the 86th anniversary of the National Apprenticeship Act; and

WHEREAS, *National Apprenticeship Week* is celebrating its 9th anniversary of raising awareness of the vital role Registered Apprenticeships provide in creating opportunities by allowing apprentices to earn while they learn and preparing a pathway to high-quality jobs and well-paying careers in Mississippi and across nation; and

WHEREAS Ingalls Shipbuilding recognizes the urgent need to prepare and maintain an inclusive, diverse and highly-skilled workforce that is capable of meeting the demands of the industry we serve and fortifying our economy; and

WHEREAS, Registered Apprenticeship programs enable employers to develop and train their future workforce while offering career seekers pathways to high-quality jobs and well paying careers; and


WHEREAS, Ingalls Shipbuilding recognizes the role of Registered Apprenticeship in expanding opportunities in our workforce for all qualified individuals, including women, youth, people of color, rural communities, justice-involved individuals and individuals with disabilities, to become apprentices and contribute to America's industries; and

WHEREAS, Ingalls Shipbuilding recognizes that Registered Apprenticeship, a proven and industry driven training model is recognized as a key strategy to improving job quality, and creating access to good-paying, family-sustaining jobs for all, starting with youth and young adults, while addressing some of our nation's pressing workforce challenges.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Donny Dorsey, Vice President of Ingalls Shipbuilding Operations, call upon our industry employer partners to recognize the value of Registered Apprenticeship, and to promote industry awareness and expansion during the 9th anniversary of National Apprenticeship Week: November 13 through November 19, 2023.

IN SUPPORT,




Donny Dorsey, Vice President, Ingalls Shipbuilding Operations