



Nehemiah Community Empowerment Center, Inc

NEHEMIAH COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT CENTER'S NAW PROCLAMATION

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 good, quality jobs and well-paying careers at the Nehemiah Community Empowerment Center and across the nation; and

WHEREAS, Registered Apprenticeship programs enable employers to develop and train their future workforce while offering career seekers affordable paths to secure high-paying jobs, and

WHEREAS, the Nehemiah Community Empowerment Center recognizes the role of Registered Apprenticeship in expanding opportunities in our workforce that are inclusive of individuals who have been historically underserved, marginalized, and adversely affected by persistent poverty and inequality, thus providing a path 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, the Nehemiah Community Empowerment Center recognizes that Registered Apprenticeship, a proven and industry-driven training model, is a key strategy to improving job quality, and creating access to good-paying and family-sustaining jobs for all, starting with youth and young adults. The Nehemiah Community Empowerment Center has been a proud ApprenticeshipNC supporter, program sponsor and employer partner since January 2021. Pre-Apprenticeship and Apprenticeship programs play a valuable role in providing pre-screened, ready-to-work employees who have been trained in the specific skills employers need. The Nehemiah Community Empowerment Center provides equitable access to career opportunities to ensure local employers can hire trained workers who reflect the diversity of our local community and society as a whole. Thereby creating a more competitive, qualified and certified workforce.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Randi Francis, President/CEO of the Nehemiah Community Empowerment Center, do hereby declare November 13, 2023, through November 19, 2023, as National Apprenticeship Week.

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