

*City of Elkhart Proclaims
November 13 - 19, 2023
"National Apprenticeship Week"*

WHEREAS: 2023 marks the 86th anniversary of the National Apprentice Act; and

WHEREAS: National Apprentice 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 in Elkhart and across the nation; and

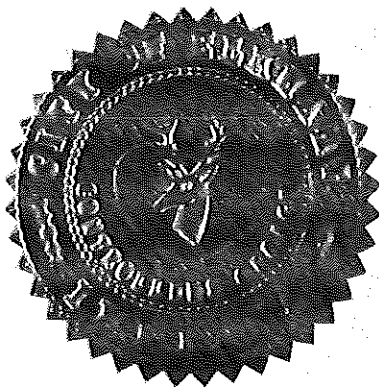
WHEREAS: Registered Apprentice programs enable employers to develop and train their future workforce while offering career seekers affordable paths to secure high-paying jobs; and

WHEREAS: The City of Elkhart 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 American's industries ; and

WHEREAS: The City of Elkhart recognizes that Registered Apprenticeship, a proven and industry-driven training model, can train our workforce and build a pipeline into good, quality jobs in order to address our nation's workforce challenges such as rebuilding infrastructure, addressing critical supply chain demands, supporting a clean energy workforce, modernizing our cybersecurity response, and responding to core economic issues.

NOW, THEREFORE I, Rod Roberson, as Mayor of the City of Elkhart do hereby proclaim November 13-19, 2023 as *National Apprenticeship Week* in Elkhart.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Elkhart to be affixed this 13th day of November in the year 2023.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rod Roberson", is written over a horizontal line.

Rod Roberson, Mayor