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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, Houston 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, Houston 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, family-sustaining jobs for all, starting with youth and young adults, while addressing some of our nation's pressing workforce challenges such as rebuilding our country's infrastructure, addressing critical supply chain demands, supporting a clean energy workforce, modernizing our cybersecurity response, and responding to care economy issues.

THEREFORE, I, Sylvester Turner, Mayor of Houston do hereby declare November 13, 2023, through November 19, 2023, as

National Apprenticeship Week

in Houston, Texas.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Official Seal of the City of Houston to be affixed this 23rd day of October, 2023.

Sylvester Turner Mayor of the City of Houston