## Fort Worth Pipe Trades Training Center

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## Fort Worth Pipe Trades Training Center of Local 146 PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS,** National Apprenticeship Week is about celebrating and raising awareness of the vital role Registered Apprenticeships play in creating opportunities by allowing apprentices to earn while they learn and preparing a pathway to good, quality jobs and well-paid careers in Fort Worth, Texas and across the nation; and

**WHEREAS,** the Fort Worth Pipe Trades Training Center recognizes the urgent need to prepare and maintain an inclusive, diverse and highly skilled workforce that can meet 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 good, quality jobs, well-paid careers, and employer paid benefits; and

WHEREAS, Fort Worth Pipe Trades Training 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 ALA OF TEXAS

WHEREAS, Fort Worth Pipe Trades Training Center 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 such as rebuilding our country's infrastructure, addressing critical supply chain demands, supporting a clean energy workforce, modernizing our cybersecurity response, and responding to economic issues.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, James Kline, Director of Education and Training of Fort Worth Pipe Trades Training Center, call upon all interested parties to recognize the value of Registered Apprenticeship, and to promote industry awareness and expansion during National Apprenticeship Day 2025.

IN SUPPORT,

James Kline

Director of Education and Training
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