

National Apprenticeship Day Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Federal Bureau of Prisons recognizes the vital role Registered Apprenticeships provide to our population by developing highly skilled workers to meet industry needs and creating pathways for those reentering society to seek career placement opportunities into in-demand jobs across America; and

WHEREAS, our Registered Apprenticeship programs enable our hard working staff to develop and train the current workforce, giving the opportunity for paid work experience, promoting progressive wage increases, offering classroom instruction, and a portable, nationally recognized credential; and

WHEREAS, our apprentices get to learn and practice skills in a structured, work setting allowing them the opportunity to progress their craft and make themselves marketable for career sustaining wages upon reentry; and

WHEREAS, the Education Branch recognizes the pivotal role our educators, vocational education teachers, school counselors, supervisors and journeyworkers serve in not only bringing awareness to Registered Apprenticeship opportunities to students, but also serving as training providers, sponsors, and intermediaries; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Bureau of Prisons recognizes that Registered Apprenticeship, a proven and industry-driven training model, is a key strategy to lowering recidivism rates while addressing some of our nation's pressing workforce challenges.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Dana R. DiGiacomo, Acting Assistant Director- Reentry Services Division, of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, call upon stakeholders, partners and staff to recognize the value of Registered Apprenticeship, and to promote awareness and expansion during National Apprenticeship Day: April 30, 2025.

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