

**IVY TECH COMMUNITY COLLEGE
COLUMBUS SERVICE AREA
NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP DAY PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, National Apprenticeship Day raises awareness of the vital role Registered Apprenticeships provide in strengthening our economy by developing a highly skilled workforce to meet industry needs and creating pathways for career seekers to catapult into in-demand jobs for all Americans; and

WHEREAS, Registered Apprenticeship programs enable employers to develop and train their future workforce, and individuals can obtain paid work experience, receive progressive wage increases, classroom instruction, and a portable, nationally recognized credential; and

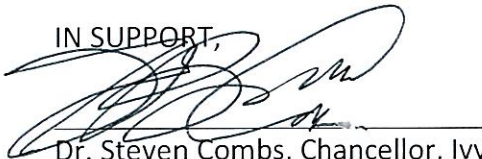
WHEREAS, Ivy Tech Columbus recognizes the need to assist to prepare and maintain a highly skilled workforce that is capable of meeting the demands of the industries we serve and fortifying our economy.

WHEREAS, Ivy Tech Columbus recognizes the pivotal role educators, school counselors, and educational institutions serve in not only bringing awareness of Registered Apprenticeship opportunities to students and parents, but also serving as training providers, sponsors, and intermediaries.

WHEREAS, Registered Apprenticeship programs are uniquely able to meet the changing demands of the Bartholomew, Jackson, Jennings, Decatur, Johnson and Shelby Counties economy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dr. Steven Combs, Chancellor of the Ivy Tech Community College Columbus service area, call upon community leaders, educators, and local industry partners to recognize the value of Registered Apprenticeship and to promote industry awareness and expansion on National Apprenticeship Day: April 30, 2025.

IN SUPPORT,



Dr. Steven Combs, Chancellor, Ivy Tech Community College Columbus
Columbus, Indiana

