



In the Name and by the Authority of

THE STATE OF OHIO



WHEREAS, National Apprenticeship Week annually raises awareness of the vital role that Registered Apprenticeships play in providing opportunities to the people of Ohio by allowing apprentices to earn while they learn and preparing a pathway to good, quality jobs and well-paying careers and the ability to advance in those careers; and

WHEREAS, the advancement and well-being of Ohio depend on its ability to create and maintain a highly skilled and motivated workforce across a broad spectrum of in-demand jobs; and

WHEREAS, Ohio ranks third in the nation and first in the Midwest in the number of apprentices, with more than 25,000 Ohioans enrolled in over 200 occupations including in the skilled trades, energy, healthcare, advanced manufacturing, computer programming, teaching, and a wide variety of other fields; and

WHEREAS, Registered Apprenticeship programs allow employers to develop and train their future workforce while offering career seekers affordable paths to secure high-paying jobs; and

WHEREAS, Registered Apprenticeship programs are uniquely able to meet the changing demands of the Ohio economy and provide 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, Ohio 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;

NOW, THEREFORE, We, *Mike DeWine and Jim Tressel*, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize April 26 – May 2, 2026, as

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

on this 26th day of April 2026.

Mike DeWine
Governor



Jim Tressel
Lieutenant Governor