

# PROCLAMATION

## National Apprenticeship Week

### *“America at Work: Making America Skilled Again Through Registered Apprenticeship”*

**WHEREAS**, *Registered Apprenticeship programs provide a proven workforce development model that combines structured on-the-job learning with related technical instruction, preparing individuals for meaningful and lasting careers in the skilled trades; and*

**WHEREAS**, *the fire protection industry plays a critical role in protecting lives, property, and infrastructure through the design, installation, inspection, testing, and maintenance of life-safety systems; and*

**WHEREAS**, *highly trained fire protection professionals are essential to ensuring that communities, businesses, and public facilities remain safe through properly installed and maintained fire protection systems; and*

**WHEREAS**, *Summit Fire & Security is committed to strengthening the skilled trades by investing in Registered Apprenticeship programs that prepare the next generation of sprinkler fitters, inspectors, technicians, and life-safety professionals; and*

**WHEREAS**, *apprentices dedicate themselves to years of rigorous training, hands-on experience, and technical education to master their craft and uphold the safety standards that protect our communities; and*

**WHEREAS**, *mentors, instructors, employers, and journeyworkers across Summit Fire & Security and throughout the fire protection industry devote their time and expertise to guiding apprentices and preserving the knowledge and craftsmanship of the skilled trades; and*

**WHEREAS**, *the 2026 National Apprenticeship Week theme, “America at Work: Making America Skilled Again Through Registered Apprenticeship,” highlights the importance of expanding apprenticeship opportunities to build a strong, resilient, and highly skilled workforce for the future;*

### **NOW, THEREFORE**

*In recognition of National Apprenticeship Week, we proudly honor the apprentices of Summit Fire & Security and the entire fire protection industry who are dedicating themselves to protecting lives and property through their commitment to the skilled trades.*

*Issued in recognition of National Apprenticeship Week*

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*Recognizing the Apprentices of Summit Fire & Security Across the United States*