

# Proclamation

## by Governor Patrick Morrisey

**Whereas,** *National Apprenticeship Week* annually raises awareness of the vital role that registered apprenticeship programs play in addressing critical workforce demands across industries. These programs cultivate a highly skilled workforce essential for employers while offering Americans pathways to in-demand, high-paying careers; and

**Whereas,** registered apprenticeship programs represent industry-driven, high-quality career pathways that allow employers to develop and train their future talent. Participants gain paid work experience under mentorship, progressive wage increases, classroom instruction, and a portable, nationally recognized credential; and

**Whereas,** in the Great State of West Virginia, Registered Apprenticeship programs are uniquely positioned to adapt to the evolving demands of our economy, providing accessible opportunities for all qualified individuals and helping to address national workforce challenges.

**Now, Therefore,** Be it Resolved that I, Patrick Morrisey, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *April 26 - May 2, 2026*, as:

### *National Apprenticeship Week*

in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in observance.

**In Witness Whereof,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.

**Done** at the Capitol, City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the Twenty-Sixth Day of April, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Six, and in the One Hundred Sixty-Third Year of the State.



*Patrick Morrisey*  
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*Patrick Morrisey*  
Governor

*By the Governor:*

*Kris Warner*  
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*Kris Warner*  
Secretary of State