

Office of



the Mayor

City of Saint Louis

Proclamation



WHEREAS

National Apprenticeship Week is a nationwide celebration recognizing the value and impact of Registered Apprenticeship programs in developing a skilled workforce, strengthening local economies, and creating equitable career pathways; and

WHEREAS, registered Apprenticeship is a proven workforce development strategy that benefits both employers and career seekers by combining paid, on the job training with classroom instruction and industry recognized credentials; and

WHEREAS, National Apprenticeship Week is coordinated by the United States Department of Labor in accordance with the National Apprenticeship Act to promote awareness and expansion of Registered Apprenticeship programs nationwide; and

WHEREAS, employers, apprentices, labor organizations, community-based organizations, workforce and education partners, and government agencies within the City of St. Louis actively participate in Registered Apprenticeship programs that support economic mobility and meet the workforce needs of local industries; and

WHEREAS, Washington University, a major employer within the City of St. Louis, has served as a Registered Apprenticeship sponsor since 2018 and has enrolled more than 400 apprentices, with over 60 percent hired directly from the community, strengthening the local workforce and expanding access to high quality careers; and

WHEREAS, National Apprenticeship Week 2026 will be observed April 26 through May 2, 2026, and provides an opportunity to recognize the accomplishments of apprentices and apprenticeship partners throughout the City of St. Louis.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CARA SPENCER, Mayor of the City of St. Louis, do hereby proclaim April 26 through May 2, 2026, as:

**"NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK"
IN THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS**

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the seal of the City of St. Louis, this 22nd day of April, C.E., 2026.

Attest



[Signature]
Register

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Mayor of the City of Saint Louis