



NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK 2026 PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, National Apprenticeship Week annually raises awareness of the vital role Registered Apprenticeship plays in meeting critical American workforce needs by developing the highly skilled workforce that employers need and creating pathways for Americans into high-demand jobs with career pathways providing long-term opportunities for economic mobility and advancement; and

WHEREAS, Registered Apprenticeship programs represent an industry-validated strategy which enable employers to develop and train workers in critical skills, knowledge for in-demand occupations, and individuals can obtain paid work experience with a mentor, receive progressive wage increases, complete classroom instruction, and earn a portable, nationally recognized credential; and

WHEREAS, Safal Partners serves in the role of a [U.S. Department of Labor \(U.S. DOL\) National Industry Intermediary](#) and recognizes the importance of Registered Apprenticeship in training, reskilling, and upskilling the American workforce to include Artificial Intelligence (AI) literacy and competence and has strengthened the American cyber, tech and AI industries by supporting the registration and expansion of over 200 Registered Apprenticeship programs that have served an average of 1,000 new apprentices annually since 2020; and

WHEREAS, Safal Partners leads the [U.S. DOL Registered Apprenticeship Academy](#), a national hub for Registered Apprenticeship training and technical assistance that builds stakeholder capacity to implement and scale Registered Apprenticeship nationwide and has produced on-demand training resources including on recently-issued sub regulatory guidance published in March 2026; and

WHEREAS, Safal Partners leads WorkforceGPS, the DOL Employment and Training Administration (ETA) primary technical assistance and online training platform for America's public workforce system and ensures that key stakeholders including Registered Apprenticeship program sponsors, registration agencies, community and tribal colleges, state education agencies, state and local workforce boards, American Job Centers, Job Corps Centers, and Career and Technical Education leaders have the tools and resources needed to integrate Registered Apprenticeship into service delivery and career pathways for all learners;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mukta Pandit, President and Founder of Safal Partners, call upon stakeholders and partners to recognize the value of Registered Apprenticeship, and to promote awareness and expansion during National Apprenticeship Week 2026.

IN SUPPORT,

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