

Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, National Apprenticeship Week raises awareness of the vital role Registered Apprenticeships provide in meeting critical industry workforce demands; and,

Whereas, the South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation (DLR) and the U.S. Department of Labor Office of Apprenticeship recognize the need to prepare and maintain a highly skilled workforce capable of meeting current and future demands; and,

Whereas, Registered Apprenticeship programs are industry-driven, high-quality career pathways enabling employers to train and develop the workforce they need and are uniquely able to meet the changing demands of South Dakota's economy; and,

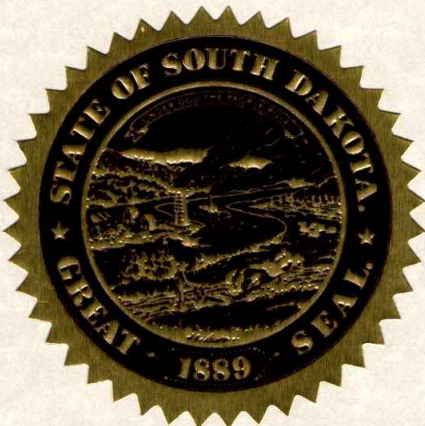
Whereas, Registered Apprenticeship programs create opportunities for individuals to enter in-demand, high-paying careers through paid work experiences with a mentor and receive progressive wage increases, classroom instruction, and a portable, nationally recognized credential; and,

Whereas, DLR recognizes the pivotal role educators, school counselors, and educational institutions serve in bringing awareness of Registered Apprenticeship opportunities to students and parents:

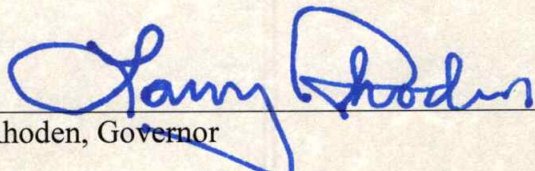
Now, Therefore, I, Larry Rhoden, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 26, 2026, as

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

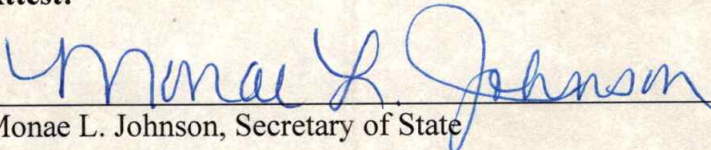
in South Dakota.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twentieth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Six.


Larry Rhoden, Governor

Attest:


Monae L. Johnson, Secretary of State