

**PROCLAMATION
National Apprenticeship Week**

and

PVAMU B.I.D. Academy Apprenticeship Workshop

WHEREAS, National Apprenticeship Week (NAW), observed from **April 23 to May 2**, is a nationwide celebration that highlights the success and value of Registered Apprenticeship in building a highly skilled workforce to meet industry needs; and

WHEREAS apprenticeships create powerful pathways for career seekers to enter in-demand jobs while helping employers grow their businesses, strengthen talent pipelines, and advance economic mobility; and

WHEREAS the theme for NAW— **“America at Work: Making America Skilled Again through Registered Apprenticeship”**—recognizes apprenticeships as a key strategy in preparing Americans for the skilled jobs of today and tomorrow; and

WHEREAS the PVAMU B.I.D. Academy cohort, in partnership with DJH Express National Training Academy and the Transportation Industry Training and Apprenticeship Network (TITAAN), is committed to expanding high-quality apprenticeship opportunities, particularly for individuals from underserved and justice-impacted communities; and

WHEREAS PVAMU B.I.D. Academy students are emerging leaders and business owners who are uniquely positioned to launch and sponsor Registered Apprenticeship programs that both grow their enterprises and create life-changing opportunities for others; and

WHEREAS, as part of NAW, **Katrina Hawkins** will host a dedicated **Apprenticeship Workshop on May 2**, focused on the practical steps to design, launch, and sustain apprenticeship programs within participating organizations.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **Katrina Hawkins, Director** of **DJH Express National Training Academy**, located in Dallas, TX, and founder of TITAAN – Transportation Industry Training And Apprenticeship Network, does hereby recognize **April 23 – May 2 as National Apprenticeship week**. We commend the PVAMU B.I.D. Academy cohort members for advancing apprenticeships as a proven pathway to skills, opportunity, and shared prosperity.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this **22nd day of April 2026**.

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