



City of New Bedford

*Mayor
Jon Mitchell*

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

- WHEREAS,** National Apprenticeship Week raises awareness of the vital role registered apprenticeships provide in meeting critical industry workforce demands;
- WHEREAS,** Registered apprenticeship programs develop the highly skilled workforce that employers need and create pathways for Americans to catapult into in-demand, high-paying careers;
- WHEREAS,** Registered apprenticeship programs are industry-driven, high-quality career pathways that enable employers to develop and train their future workforce, and individuals can obtain paid work experience with a mentor, receive progressive wage increases, classroom instruction, and a portable, nationally recognized credential; and
- WHEREAS,** Registered Apprenticeship programs are uniquely able to meet the changing demands of employers in Greater New Bedford.

NOW THEREFORE, I, JON MITCHELL, Mayor of the City of New Bedford, do hereby declare April 26 through May 2, 2026, as National Apprenticeship Week in New Bedford.

Given this 23rd day of April 2026.

A large, stylized handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jon Mitchell".

*Jon Mitchell
Mayor*