

P R O C L A M A T I O N
“Youth Apprenticeship Week”

May 5-11, 2024

REQUESTED BY
VICE MAYOR ALEXANDRA P. DAVIS - CITY OF MIRAMAR

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Labor has established the inaugural Youth Apprenticeship Week, to be celebrated from May 5-11, 2024, aimed at highlighting the invaluable opportunities provided by registered apprenticeship programs for youth aged 16-24; and

WHEREAS, employers, educators, labor unions, workforce professionals, and partners nationwide are championing registered apprenticeship programs, offering youth the chance to earn competitive wages while acquiring essential training and experience, often with the added benefit of earning college credit; and

WHEREAS, Youth Apprenticeship Week serves as a platform for stakeholders to host events, raising awareness of these transformative opportunities, which not only empower youth but also foster a sustainable pipeline of skilled and diverse talent vital for present and future industries; and

WHEREAS, from 2010 to 2020, a significant number of 16-to-24-year-olds, totaling 389,860, embarked on registered apprenticeship journeys, laying the foundation for prosperous and fulfilling careers; and

WHEREAS, Vice Mayor Alexandra P. Davis spearheaded a youth apprenticeship program in the City of Miramar, designed to equip at-risk youth between the ages of 18-26 with vital trade skills essential for positions such as water treatment plant operator, wastewater treatment plant operator, vehicle mechanic and so much more; and

WHEREAS, the City of Miramar’s Human Resources department actively oversees and supports the youth apprenticeship program, ensuring its alignment with the city’s goals and objectives while fostering a nurturing environment for the participants; and

WHEREAS, the City of Miramar recognizes the importance of investing in its youth, providing them with opportunities to develop practical skills and gain meaningful employment, thereby contributing to their personal growth and the economic prosperity of our community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WAYNE M. MESSAM, Mayor of the City of Miramar, on behalf of **VICE MAYOR ALEXANDRA P. DAVIS**, and the City Commission, do hereby May 5-11, 2024 as:

“Youth Apprenticeship Week”

in the City of Miramar.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I do hereby set my hand and cause the Seal of the City of Miramar to be affixed this 1st day of May 2024.



Mayor Wayne M. Messam