

City of Lincoln

Proclamation

Office of the Mayor

Whereas, Youth Apprenticeship Week is celebrating its inaugural year of raising awareness of the vital role that Youth Apprenticeships play in providing opportunities and pathways to good, quality jobs and well-paying careers; and

Whereas, Youth Apprenticeship Week is designed to increase awareness of Registered Apprenticeships among youth, educators, parents, state agencies, workforce partners, and industry and to highlight the benefits of apprenticeships; and

Whereas, the City of Lincoln, through its Lincoln Forward initiative, aims to ensure that all residents, including apprentices and young people of all backgrounds, have access to meaningful, rewarding, and financially secure careers; and

Whereas, Registered Apprenticeship provides a path for all qualified individuals, including women, youth, people of color, English language learners, veterans, and individuals with disabilities, to become apprentices, grow their opportunities, and enrich our community; and

Whereas, the City of Lincoln supports Registered Apprenticeship through its apprenticeship program at the American Job Center of Lancaster and Saunders Counties and provides opportunities for youth to earn and learn through the Mayor's Youth Employment Program; and

Whereas, the American Dream depends upon the next generation of experienced workers, and the City of Lincoln is committed to strengthening our future workforce by opening the doors of opportunity to our youth and young adults,

Now, therefore, I, Leirion Gaylor Baird, mayor of the city of Lincoln, Nebraska, do hereby proclaim May 5-11, 2024, as

Youth Apprenticeship Week

to highlight the contributions of our local youth and apprenticeship programs in building our economy, supporting underserved communities, and advancing economic opportunity for all.



Leirion Gaylor Baird

Mayor Leirion Gaylor Baird