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**Executive Department**

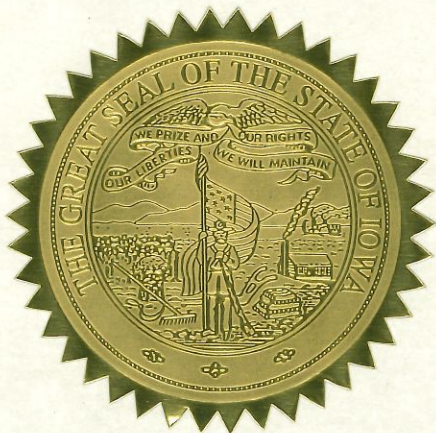
IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

**PROCLAMATION**

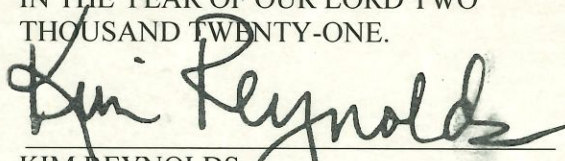
- WHEREAS,** National Apprenticeship Week marks an important time to recognize the critical role of Registered Apprenticeships and their impact that brings together job seekers, employers, and educators to better prepare our workforce for the future; and
- WHEREAS,** the success of our future economy coming out of the pandemic is dependent upon our ability to forge a responsive and highly-skilled workforce, which, in turn, strengthens our communities; and
- WHEREAS,** Iowa continues to have more job openings than available workers, and Registered Apprenticeship programs are an important tool for creating new pathways that raise the qualifications, certifications, and preparedness of Iowa's labor force; and
- WHEREAS,** Registered Apprenticeships are creating unique solutions in a wide number of industries across Iowa's economy, forming new pipelines in information technology, healthcare, energy, aerospace, construction, advanced manufacturing, hospitality, financial services, agriculture, and more; and
- WHEREAS,** the State of Iowa recognizes the value that Registered Apprenticeships provide to help empower Iowa companies to grow their own, improve recruitment and training opportunities, and fulfill their overall workforce needs; and
- WHEREAS,** Registered Apprenticeship programs are uniquely positioned to help reach the goals of Future Ready Iowa to close the skills gap and create qualified credentials and certificates for both students and adult learners, and that the skills produced will continue to grow in their importance and be vital in the future job market:

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Kim Reynolds, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby proclaim the week of November 15 – 21, 2021 as

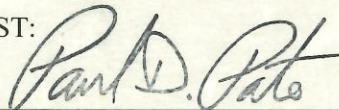
**NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK**



**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE** HEREUNTO SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF IOWA TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES MOINES THIS 12<sup>th</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-ONE.

  
KIM REYNOLDS  
GOVERNOR OF IOWA

ATTEST:



PAUL PATE  
SECRETARY OF STATE