



Spencer J. Cox

Governor

Declaration

Whereas, 2023 marks the 86th Anniversary of the National Apprenticeship Act;

Whereas, National Apprenticeship Week is celebrating its ninth anniversary of raising awareness of the vital role registered apprenticeships play in providing opportunities to the people of Utah by allowing apprentices to earn while they learn and prepare a pathway to high-quality jobs and well-paying careers and the ability to advance in those careers;

Whereas, the advancement and well-being of Utah depend upon its ability to expand opportunities in its workforce that are inclusive of individuals who have been historically underserved, marginalized and adversely affected by persistent poverty and inequality in their chosen fields;

Whereas, registered apprenticeship programs enable employers to develop and train their future workforce while offering career seekers affordable paths to secure high-paying jobs, with apprentices in Utah earning up to \$60,000 per year upon completion;

Whereas, registered apprenticeship programs are uniquely able to meet the changing demands of the Utah economy and provide a path for all qualified individuals, including women, youth, people of color, rural communities, justice-involved individuals and individuals with disabilities, to become apprentices and contribute to America's industries; and,

Whereas, the state of Utah recognizes that registered apprenticeships, a proven and industry-driven training model, can train our workforce and build a pipeline into good, quality jobs to address our nation's pressing workforce challenges such as rebuilding our country's infrastructure, addressing critical supply chain demands, supporting a clean energy workforce, modernizing our cybersecurity response and responding to care economy issues;

Now, therefore, I, Spencer J. Cox, governor of the state of Utah, do hereby declare Nov. 13-19, 2023, as

National Apprenticeship Week in Utah

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