



City of Memphis

Proclamation

WHEREAS, National Apprenticeship Week is celebrating its 9th anniversary of raising awareness of the vital role registered apprenticeships provide in creating opportunities by allowing apprentices to earn while they learn and preparing a pathway to good, quality jobs and well-paying careers in the City of Memphis and across the nation; and

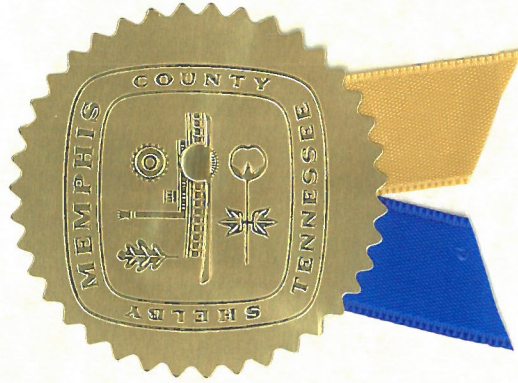
WHEREAS, registered apprenticeship programs enable employers to develop and train their future workforce while offering career seekers affordable paths to secure high-paying jobs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Memphis, Shelby County recognizes the role of registered apprenticeship in expanding opportunities in our workforce that are inclusive of individuals who have been historically underserved, marginalized, and adversely affected by persistent poverty and inequality, thus providing 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

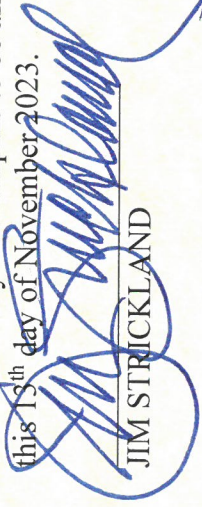
WHEREAS, the City of Memphis, Shelby County recognizes that registered apprenticeship, a proven and industry-driven training model, is a crucial strategy for improving job quality and creating access to good-paying, family-sustaining jobs for all, starting with youth and young adults while addressing some of our nation's pressing workforce challenges such as rebuilding our country's infrastructure, managing critical supply chain demands, supporting a clean energy workforce, modernizing our cybersecurity response, and responding to care economy issues.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIM STRICKLAND, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, do hereby proclaim November 13, 2023, through November 19, 2023, as,

“NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK.”



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Memphis to be affixed this 13th day of November 2023.


JIM STRICKLAND