

# PROCLAMATION of

## The City of Wichita, Kansas Founded in 1870

**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 Wichita and across the nation; and

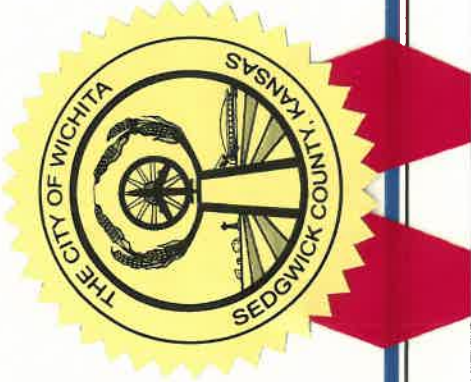
**Whereas**, Wichita recognizes the role of Registered Apprenticeship in expanding opportunities in our workforce that are inclusive of individuals who have been historically underserved, marginalized, and adversely affected by persistent poverty and inequality, thus providing a path for all qualified 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**, Wichita recognizes that Registered Apprenticeship, a proven and industry-driven training model, is a key strategy to 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, addressing critical supply chain demands, supporting a clean energy workforce, modernizing our cybersecurity response, and responding to care economy issues; and

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved**, that I, Brandon Whipple, Mayor of the City of Wichita, Kansas, along with the Wichita City Council do hereby proclaim November 13 through November 19, 2023, as

## National Apprenticeship Week

**In the City of Wichita** and encourage all residents to come together to celebrate its 9<sup>th</sup> anniversary.



Brandon Whipple, Mayor

November 7, 2023  
Date