

## ALBANY TECHNICAL COLLEGE NAW PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, National Apprenticeship Week (NAW) is celebrating 10 Years of Engagement, Expansion, and Innovation and the vital role Registered Apprenticeship plays in creating opportunities for individuals to earn while they learn and prepare for pathways to quality, well-paying careers in Southwest Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Albany Technical College recognizes the urgent need to prepare and maintain an inclusive, diverse, and highly skilled workforce capable of meeting the demands of the businesses and industries we serve while also strengthening communities and our economy; and

WHEREAS, Albany Technical College recognizes the role of Registered Apprenticeships in support of the development of work-based learning programs that facilitate partnerships with post-secondary institutions, business, and industry partners. Registered Apprenticeships supports hands-on learning while allowing apprentices to earn wages while receiving technical instruction, resulting in industry-recognized credentials upon completion; and

WHEREAS, Albany Technical College recognizes that Registered Apprenticeships, are a proven and industry-driven training model and key strategy to addressing workforce shortages in Georgia's high demand careers including manufacturing, construction, transportation and logistics, healthcare, and information technology. Furthermore, Registered Apprenticeships will also help to address new and evolving workforce skills needs as Georgia focuses on becoming an electric vehicle industry leader; and

WHEREAS, Albany Technical College recognizes the pivotal role instructors, counselors, and educational institutions serve in not only bringing awareness of Registered Apprenticeship opportunities to students and parents, but also serving as training providers, sponsors, and intermediaries.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Judy Jimmerson, Associate Vice President of Career Services, Albany Technical College of Albany Georgia, call upon Southwest Georgia Employers, to recognize the value of Registered Apprenticeships, and to promote industry awareness and expansion during the 10th Anniversary of National Apprenticeship Week, November 17 through November 23, 2024.

IN SUPPORT,



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