

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY ELECTRICAL JOINT APPRENTICESHIP & TRAINING COMMITTEE

Proclamation

Whereas, National Apprenticeship Week (NAW) Week is celebrating its 10th 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 careers and well-paying careers in Santa Barbara County and across the nation; and

Whereas, National Apprenticeship Week highlights the importance of apprenticeship programs as a vital pathway to skilled trades, helping to close the skills gap while providing invaluable hands-on experience; and

Whereas, the Santa Barbara County Joint Electrical Apprenticeship has successfully trained a multitude of apprentices over the past 106 years, fostering a tradition of excellence in the electrical trade and contributing to the growth of a skilled workforce in our community; and

Whereas, we recognize that Registered Apprenticeship, a proven and industry-driven training model is recognized as a key strategy to improving job quality, and creating access to head of household, family-sustaining careers for all, starting with youth, underserved communities, women and returning veterans. while addressing some of our nation's pressing workforce challenges such as rebuilding our country's infrastructure and supporting a clean energy workforce.

Whereas, through our efforts, we aim to empower individuals with the skills, knowledge, and confidence necessary to thrive in rewarding careers; and

Now, therefore, I, Gilbert Rea, Training Director, on behalf of the Santa Barbara County Joint Electrical Apprenticeship, do hereby proclaim April 30, 2025, as a day of celebration and recognition of the impact of apprenticeship programs, and encourage all community members to join us in celebrating the advancement of skills, careers, and opportunities.

In Support,



Gilbert Rea
Training Director