

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
MAYORAL PROCLAMATION**

Whereas, Youth Apprenticeship Week is celebrating its inaugural year of raising awareness of the vital role that Youth Apprenticeship programs play in creating access to good-paying jobs for youth and young adults; and

Whereas, there is an urgent need to prepare our students to address some of our nation's workforce challenges such as rebuilding our country's infrastructure, addressing critical supply chain demands, modernizing our cybersecurity response, and responding to economic issues; and

Whereas, Youth Apprenticeship programs enable employers to develop and train their future workforce while offering career seekers affordable pathways to high-paying, good quality jobs, and well-paying careers that contribute to America's industries; and

Whereas, we recognize the pivotal role educators, school counselors, and educational institutions serve in bringing awareness of Youth Apprenticeship opportunities to students and parents.

Now, Therefore, I, Edna DeVries, Mayor of Mat-Su Borough, do hereby proclaim:


May 5 through May 11, 2024

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Youth Apprenticeship Week

I call upon all citizens, businesses, and community organizations to join in celebrating the inaugural Youth Apprenticeship Week and to support and promote youth apprenticeship programs as valuable pathways to success for our youth and young adults.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough to be affixed this 7th day of May, 2024.


EDNA DeVRIES, Mayor

ATTEST:


LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

