

- WHEREAS, this year marks the first National Youth Apprenticeship Week (YAW) which celebrates and highlights the benefits and value of Registered Apprenticeship program opportunities for youth ages 16-24 years old; and
- WHEREAS, employers, educators, labor unions, and workforce professionals across the country are launching Registered Apprenticeship programs that allow youth to earn competitive wages while obtaining the relevant training and experience to start their careers; and
- WHEREAS, YAW creates space to continue the national dialogue on how to best use Registered Apprenticeship for providing affordable paths to secure careers, and increasing diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility (DEIA) in the workplace; and
- WHEREAS, YAW is an opportunity for community stakeholders to broaden awareness of how Registered Apprenticeship creates a sustainable pipeline of skilled and diverse talent for in-demand occupations; and
- WHEREAS, supported by the U.S. Department of Labor and the Youth Employment Works Strategy, National Youth Apprenticeship Week encourages everyone to learn more about Registered Apprenticeship and participate in the week's daily themes:
 - Monday: "Parents and Guardians are a Priority" in Registered Apprenticeship
 - * Tuesday: Youth Apprenticeships: Building Awareness, Myth Busting, Partnering with Educational Providers, and Creating Pathways through Pre-Apprenticeship.
 - Wednesday: Expanding Youth Apprenticeship Opportunities for Underserved
 - * Thursday: National Youth Apprenticeship Signing Day
- * Friday: Federal Partners Day and Call to Action

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NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE C. FULLER, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM MAY 5-11, 2024, AS

YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

IN MCKINNEY, TEXAS, ENCOURAGING ALL RESIDENTS TO TAKE PART IN THIS INAUGURAL OCCASION BY LEARNING MORE ABOUT REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP, AND THANKING OUR LEADERS WITHIN THIS CITY WHO ACTIVELY SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF YOUTH THROUGH VITAL WORK OPPORTUNITIES.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS THE 7TH DAY OF MAY, 2024.

ATTEST:

EMPRESS DRANE, City Secretary