



Proclamation

WHEREAS, *Registered Apprenticeship USA helps Colorado compete more effectively in the global economy and contributes to Denver's economic development, sustained economic growth and state security; and*

WHEREAS, *Registered Apprenticeship programs have met the skilled workforce needs of Denver's industries, training thousands of qualified individuals for lifelong careers since 1937; and*

WHEREAS, *Registered Apprenticeships ensures quality training by combining on the job training with theoretical instruction and helping mobilize Metro Denver's workforce in traditional industries like construction and manufacturing, as well as the emerging fields of health care, information technology, energy, telecommunications and more; and*

WHEREAS, *since the late 1930's, many employees of the City and County of Denver have participated in the Registered Apprenticeship program, and thousands of individuals have completed their apprenticeships throughout the state; and*

WHEREAS, *in Colorado today, over a thousand employers offer registered apprenticeship training to over 5,400 active apprentices, and Apprenticeship USA is working to increase these opportunities; and*

WHEREAS, *Registered Apprenticeship is a time tested and proven method of ensuring that the demand for skilled workers will be met not only in Denver, but nationwide.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL B. HANCOCK, MAYOR of the City and County of Denver, Colorado, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby officially proclaim **NOVEMBER 13-17, 2017**, to be known as:

“NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK”

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City and County of Denver to be affixed this 13th day of November, 2017

