

# **WHEATLAND APPRENTICESHIP WEEK**

## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS** this year will mark the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the passage of the National Apprenticeship Act signed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt on August 16, 1937 which established the National Apprenticeship system:

**WHEREAS** the National Apprenticeship Act established a comprehensive system of partnerships among employers, labor, educational institutions, and federal and state government which has shaped skill training for succeeding generations of Wyoming workers:

**WHEREAS** for 80 years Apprenticeship has provided and continues to provide state of the art training using an 'earn while you learn' model that has and continues to offer a pathway to the middle class and a sustainable career for Wheatland and Wyoming citizens:

**WHEREAS** Apprenticeship is an important post-secondary pathway for Wheatland workers, offering a combination of academic and technical instruction with paid on-the-job training, resulting in a nationally and industry recognized occupational credential that ensures higher earnings for apprentices and a highly skilled workforce for Wheatland employers, associations and unions:

**WHEREAS** the Apprenticeship system has continually modernized and developed innovative training approaches to meet the workforce needs of industry to address the evolving challenges of staying competitive in today's (and tomorrow's) global economy:

**WHEREAS** Wheatland has three employers offering apprenticeship training in six occupations registered with the National Apprenticeship system:

**WHEREAS** the celebration of 'Wheatland Apprenticeship Week' would honor and encourage industries who utilize or could benefit from the Apprenticeship model to train Wheatland workers and recognize the role the Apprenticeship system has played in preparing Wheatland apprentices for sustainable careers with family sustaining wages:

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Joe Fabian, Mayor of the Town of Wheatland recognize November 13-17, 2017 as

**WHEATLAND APPRENTICESHIP WEEK;**

**In Witness Whereof**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official Seal of the Town of Wheatland, Wyoming to be affixed this 13th day of November, 2017.

  
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Mayor