WHEREAS, the demand for skilled workers continues to increase in Casper, apprenticeship is an industry-led proven training model, designed to meet this demand, as well as retrain workers needed to diversify Wyoming's economy for generations to come; and,

WHEREAS, apprenticeship is a unique, flexible, training system that combines industry-directed technical instruction with structured, paid, on-the-job learning experiences, which contributes to increased hiring and retention rates; and,

WHEREAS, apprenticeship training models prepare Casper workers to compete in a diverse economy while keeping pace with technological advancements and occupation-based innovations; and,

WHEREAS, today in Casper, seven businesses have taken the steps to develop a Department of Labor registered apprenticeship program to train their technical workforce; and,

WHEREAS, Casper employers have developed and led apprenticeship training programs since the late 1930's, resulting in rewarding technical careers, offering livable wages, most often without college debt; and,

WHEREAS, apprenticeship is a pathway for technical training, higher education, industry licensing, portable and stackable credentialing, required by industry in Casper and Wyoming.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Ray Pacheco, Mayor of Casper, Wyoming, do hereby proclaim the week of November 12-16, 2018, as

CASPER APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

and recognize the role the apprenticeship system has played in preparing workers for sustainable careers with family sustaining wages.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official Seal of the City of Casper, Wyoming, to be affixed this 6th day of November, 2018.

CITY OF CASPER, WYOMING
A Municipal Corporation

Ray Pacheco
Mayor