PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the economy demands a workforce with postsecondary education credentials and the ability to respond to changing economy and business needs; and

WHEREAS, registered apprenticeships are vital components of talent and development in many high demand and high growth sectors; and

WHEREAS, the National Registered Apprenticeship system was designed to offer academic and technical instruction, paid on-the-job training, and develop a higher skilled workforce; and

WHEREAS, National Apprenticeship Week is an opportunity to recognize the positive impact apprenticeships have on the Rockford workforce and economy as a whole;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THOMAS P. MCNAMARA, as Mayor of the city of Rockford do hereby proclaim November 12 – 18, 2018 to be:

"NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK"

in Rockford, Illinois and urge all citizens to recognize and support the purpose and value of Registered Apprenticeship training.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the city of Rockford to be affixed this 1st day of November 2018.

THOMAS P. McNamaRA
MAYOR OF ROCKFORD