Proclamation Recognizing National Apprenticeship Week 2018

WHEREAS, the demand for skilled workers continues to increase, and the modern Registered Apprenticeship system is a proven method to meet this demand and helps El Paso County prepare for economic development and economic growth; and

WHEREAS, apprenticeship is a unique, flexible training system that combines job-related technical instruction with structured, paid, on-the-job learning experiences. Modern Registered Apprenticeship contributes to increased hiring rates and lower unemployment by adding to the number of trained workers, and

WHEREAS, Registered Apprenticeship training programs prepare El Paso County's workers to compete in our changing economy. The training keeps pace with advancing technologies and work-based innovations; and

WHEREAS, today in El Paso County employers, business associations and unions sponsor modern, registered apprenticeship programs which are up to date with technology. There are approximately 100 active apprentices training in more than 10 skilled occupations; and

WHEREAS, over the years, hundreds of individuals in El Paso County have completed a registered apprenticeship in both union and non-union programs; and

WHEREAS, El Paso County employers have participated in Apprenticeship since the late 1930's teaching skills that result in rewarding careers; and

WHEREAS, modern apprentice training is a way to obtain training, occupational licensing and earn a livable wage.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of El Paso County Commissioners does hereby proclaim the week of November 12 to 18, 2018 as apprenticeship week in El Paso County.

DONE THIS 6th day of November 2018 at Colorado Springs, Colorado.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF EL PASO COUNTY, COLORADO

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