WHEREAS: the University of Arkansas Facilities Management Apprenticeship Program was started in 1973 and over the past 43 years more than 100 employees have completed the program in fields such as carpentry, electrical, locksmithing, painting, environmental compliance, HVAC, boiler operation, plumbing, welding and sheet metal fabrication, and

WHEREAS: apprenticeship programs have proven to be an effective strategy for preparing workers for careers while meeting the employer's need for a highly-skilled workforce, and

WHEREAS: the University of Arkansas Facilities Management Apprenticeship Program is one of the best and provides a combination of on-the-job training with job-related instruction, which progressively increases an apprentice's skill level, wages and wage potential, and

WHEREAS: in addition to teaching high level craft skills, the University's apprenticeship program promotes teamwork and a sense of pride in a job well done, and

WHEREAS: former and current apprentices in the University's apprenticeship program do an extraordinary job of helping to keep the University of Arkansas' campus safe, beautiful, comfortable and welcoming to all who live, work, attend school or visit here.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Lioneld Jordan, Mayor of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas do hereby proclaim Friday, November 16, 2018 as "UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FACILITIES MANAGEMENT APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM DAY"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas to be affixed on the 16th day of November, 2018.

Attest:

City Clerk