WHEREAS, skilled workers are a valuable asset to any economy and apprenticeships are an effective means of training workers; and

WHEREAS, apprenticeships help Tennessee compete more effectively in the global economy and contribute to our state's economic development and growth; and

WHEREAS, Registered Apprenticeships help ensure higher earnings for apprentices and provide business and industry with highly skilled workers; and

WHEREAS, in Tennessee there are over 300 Registered Apprenticeship programs training over 4,500 apprentices; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate for Tennesseans to recognize the efforts of these apprenticeship programs;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim November 12-18, 2018 as

Apprenticeship Week

in Tennessee and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this fifteenth day of October, 2018.

Bill Haslam
Governor

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Secretary of State