PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the demand for skilled workers continues to increase in Wyoming. 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 Wyoming workers to compete in a diverse economy while keeping pace with technological advancements and occupation-based innovations; and

WHEREAS, today in Torrington, the City of Torrington has taken the step to develop a Department of Labor registered Apprenticeship program to train line installer-repairers (linemen) in the area; and

WHEREAS, Wyoming 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 Torrington and Wyoming.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael E. Varney, do hereby PROCLAIM November 12-16, 2018 as TORRINGTON APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and signature as Mayor of the City of Torrington, Wyoming this ___ day of November, 2018.

Michael E. Varney, Mayor