



Proclamation

WHEREAS, the National Apprenticeship Act was passed August 16, 1937 thereby establishing the National Registered Apprenticeship system, a comprehensive system of partnering among employers, labor, educational institutions, and federal and state governments to shape skilled training for American workers; and

WHEREAS, The Office of Apprenticeship, USDOL, was created to work jointly with labor and industry for the purpose of promoting and expanding the apprenticeship concept to produce competent, motivated and versatile craftpersons to meet the nation's skilled workforce needs, and

WHEREAS, Registered Apprenticeships offer an important post-secondary pathway for our residents, offering a combination of academic and technical instruction with paid on-the-job training, resulting in a nationally and industry recognized occupational credential that ensures higher earnings for apprentices and a highly skilled workforce for American businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Apprenticeship Steering Committee, Inc. (MASCI) is an advocacy group made up of professionals from the public, education, industry, labor and governmental departments of Michigan, and

WHEREAS, MASCI's objective is to educate Michigan's public, employer groups and the workforce on the benefits of participation in Registered Apprenticeships, and

NOW, THEREFORE, MICHIGAN APPRENTICESHIP STEERING COMMITTEE, INC. does hereby proudly support the week of November 14-20, 2016 as

NATIONAL REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP WEEK