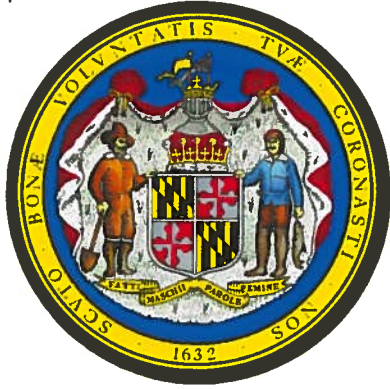


The State of Maryland



Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK NOVEMBER 8 – 14, 2020

- WHEREAS,** *National Apprenticeship Week was established in 2015 to raise awareness of the meaningful contributions apprenticeship programs in the United States make to our country's workforce; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Maryland has reached more than 11,000 registered apprentices currently earning and learning in the Maryland Apprenticeship and Training Program - the highest participation rate in program history. The number of Registered Apprenticeship opportunities continue to grow and expand into new industry sectors and occupations; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Maryland continues to provide opportunities for the state's youth through the Apprenticeship Maryland Program youth apprenticeship initiative, which has expanded from the earlier pilot program statewide through the creation of a new career and technology education program of study and is viewed as the National and International model; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Governor Hogan's primary focus of making Maryland more business friendly and improving the state's economic competitiveness is supported by the growth of Maryland apprenticeships; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Maryland continues to seek solutions to growing the private sector, getting more citizens back to work, and continuing to strengthen Maryland's economy. The Hogan Administration views Registered Apprenticeships as the premiere workforce solution for Maryland's businesses and job seekers; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Maryland is honored to join other states across the nation, to extend our gratitude to apprentices, program sponsors, local businesses and mentors, state and local government employees, educational institutions, volunteers on the Maryland Apprenticeship and Training Council and the Youth Apprenticeship Advisory Committee, and everyone else with their hand in growing apprenticeships, for their hard work, continued dedication and commitment to excellence.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim NOVEMBER 8 - 14, 2020 as NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK in Maryland, and do commend this observance to all our citizens.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,
this 8th day of November
Two Thousand and twenty

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor

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Lt. Governor

John C. W. W. W.
Secretary of State