

**STATE OF TEXAS  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

As the demand for skilled workers continues to increase, a registered apprenticeship is a time-tested and proven method of ensuring that the demand can be met not only in Texas but nationwide as well.

A registered apprenticeship, an earn-while-you-learn vocational training model, provides higher earnings for apprentices and a highly skilled workforce that helps Texas compete in the global economy and contributes to Texas' economic development, sustained growth and state security.

A week in November has been set aside to recognize the importance of apprenticeship programs, as well as the companies and organizations that support and participate in registered apprenticeship training programs. Through their efforts, our state is staying on the cutting edge of workforce development.

At this time, I encourage my fellow Texans to learn more about apprenticeship programs and how they can grow and benefit our state and the hardworking members of the Lone Star State's workforce.

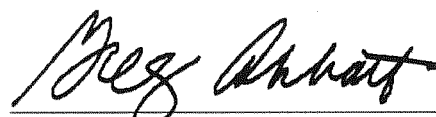
Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim November 12–18, 2017, to be

## **Apprenticeship Week**



in Texas, and urge the appropriate recognition whereof.

In official recognition whereof,  
I hereby affix my signature this the  
26<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.

  
Governor of Texas