## EXECUTIVE PROCLAMATION OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

**WHEREAS**, Registered Apprenticeship programs provide a pathway to meaningful employment, offering a hands-on experience that combines on-the-job training and relevant technical instruction; and

**WHEREAS**, Registered Apprenticeships are a vital component of talent development strategies in many high demand and high growth sectors and are recognized as a critical postsecondary education, training, and employment option; and

**WHEREAS**, The South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation and the United States Department of Labor - Office of Apprenticeship are working hard to promote, assist, increase awareness, and expand Registered Apprenticeship opportunities in the state; and

**WHEREAS**, I urge state and local governments, educational institutions, industry and labor leaders, and all South Dakotans to support apprenticeship programs and to raise awareness of their contributions to the state.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KRISTI NOEM, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim November 8 - 14, 2020, as

## REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

in South Dakota.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-ninth Day of October in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty.

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Kristi Noem Governor of South Dakota

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Steven J. Barnett Secretary of State