

**STATE OF ARKANSAS**  
**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

**PROCLAMATION**

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: August 16, 2019, marked the 82<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the passage of the National Apprenticeship (Fitzgerald) Act, which established the National Registered Apprenticeship System; and

WHEREAS: This Act created a comprehensive system of partnerships among employers, labor, educational institutions, and federal and state governments that has shaped skill training for succeeding generation of U.S. workers; and

WHEREAS: Apprenticeship training provides this state with highly-trained and efficient craft workers; and

WHEREAS: This state has shown a growth rate of over 34 percent in newly-registered apprentices and 30 percent growth in number of new apprenticeship programs over this fiscal year, surpassing the national average; and

WHEREAS: It is appropriate for Arkansas to recognize the efforts of many on behalf of apprenticeship training and those who are actively seeking a better future through apprenticeship;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ASA HUTCHINSON, Governor of the State of Arkansas, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim November 11<sup>th</sup> through November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019, as

**NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, in the year of our Lord 2019.



Asa Hutchinson, Governor



Attest:



John Thurston, Secretary Of State