

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

**PROCLAMATION**

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: August 16, 2021, marked the 84<sup>th</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 18 percent in registered apprentices over the fiscal year and recognizes that more than 1,000 companies currently employ apprentices in Arkansas; 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 15<sup>th</sup> through November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021, 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 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, in the year of our Lord 2021.



Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:

  
John Thurston, Secretary of State