

MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

NOVEMBER 14 – 20, 2022

WHEREAS, National Apprenticeship Week is celebrating its 8th anniversary of raising awareness of the vital role Registered Apprenticeships provide in creating opportunities by allowing apprentices to earn while they learn and preparing a pathway to well-paying careers in Effingham and across the nation; and

WHEREAS, Registered Apprenticeship programs enable employers to develop and train their future workforce while offering career seekers affordable paths to secure high-paying jobs, and

WHEREAS, Effingham recognizes the role of Registered Apprenticeship in expanding opportunities in our workforce that are inclusive of individuals who have been historically underserved, marginalized, and adversely affected by persistent poverty and inequality, thus providing a path for all qualified individuals, including women, youth, people of color, rural communities, justice-involved individuals and individuals with disabilities, to become apprentices and contribute to America's industries; and

WHEREAS, Effingham recognizes that Registered Apprenticeship, a proven and industry- driven training model, provides a critical talent pipeline that can train and build up our workforce to address our nation's pressing issues such as responding to climate change, modernizing our cybersecurity response, addressing public health issues, and rebuilding our country's infrastructure.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Schutzbach, Mayor of Effingham, in the County of Effingham, and in the State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim

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AS NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and Great Seal of the City of Effingham this 11th day of October, A.D., 2022.



**Mike Schutzbach
Mayor**