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WHEREAS, National Apprenticeship Week is in its 6th year of raising awareness of the vital role that apprenticeships provide to create a qualified and highly skilled workforce in the City of Peoria and across the nation; and

WHEREAS, the advancement and well-being of the United States of America depends upon the continued development of skilled workers in their chosen fields; and

WHEREAS, an ever-growing number of job creators and career seekers are discovering the benefits of an apprenticeship's unique learn-while-you-earn model; and

WHEREAS, the City of Peoria recognizes that robust apprenticeship programs provide tangible values to job creators and apprentices with the potential to increase productivity, improve diversity and inclusion, and reduce recruitment and training costs while providing a pathway to prosperous careers for job seekers;

NOW, THERFORE, I, Jim Ardis, Mayor of the City of Peoria, Illinois, do hereby recognize November 8 - 14, 2020 as

## NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

In Peoria, Illinois.