

OAI, Inc. Apprenticeship Week 2026 Proclamation

WHEREAS, OAI, Inc. is committed to advancing workforce development by providing skills training that leads to safe, meaningful employment; and

WHEREAS, apprenticeships offer a proven pathway for individuals to earn while they learn, gaining hands-on experience and industry-recognized skills; and

WHEREAS, OAI, Inc. partners with employers, educators, and community organizations to expand apprenticeship opportunities in high-demand sectors such as clean energy, healthcare, and manufacturing; and

WHEREAS, these efforts promote equitable access to careers, strengthen local talent pipelines, and support economic mobility across the Chicagoland region;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that OAI, Inc. proudly recognizes **Apprenticeship Week** and reaffirms its commitment to expanding high-quality apprenticeship opportunities.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that OAI calls upon employer partners and stakeholders to support apprenticeships as a key driver of workforce and economic growth.

Signed,
Sandra Dafiaghor, PhD
Executive Director
OAI, Inc.