



City of Freeport, Illinois

JODI MILLER
MAYOR

Office of the Mayor

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, National Apprenticeship Week is celebrating its 6th anniversary of raising awareness of the vital role apprenticeships provide in creating a qualified and highly-skilled workforce in diverse industries in Freeport, Illinois 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 apprenticeship's unique learn-while-your-earn model; and

WHEREAS, there are more job openings than job seekers in the United States, and the expansion of apprenticeship will help bridge the skills gap to fill these jobs; and

WHEREAS, Freeport recognizes that robust apprenticeship programs provide tangible value to both 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.

WHEREAS, National Apprenticeship Week will be recognized in Freeport and we commend and appreciate the employers and dedicated workers involved in this worthwhile endeavor, as the positive impact apprenticeships have on individuals and businesses will continue to improve Freeport's workforce and grow our future.

Now, Therefore, I, Jodi Miller, Mayor of the City of Freeport, do hereby declare:

November 8 – 14, 2020
"National Apprenticeship Week"

Proclaimed this day by:

Jodi Miller
Mayor

