

Proclamation

WHEREAS, National Apprenticeship Week is celebrating its 10th anniversary of raising awareness of the vital role Registered Apprenticeships provide in creating opportunities by allowing apprentices to earn while they learn and are preparing a pathway to good, quality jobs and well-paying careers in Alton 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, the City of Alton 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

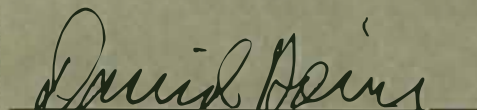
WHEREAS, the City of Alton recognizes that Registered Apprenticeship, a proven and industry-driven training model, is a key strategy to improving job quality, and creating access to good-paying, family-sustaining jobs for all, starting with youth and young adults, while addressing some of our nation's pressing workforce challenges such as rebuilding our country's infrastructure, addressing critical supply chain demands, supporting a clean energy workforce, modernizing our cybersecurity response, and responding to care economy issues.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, David Goins, Mayor of the City of Alton do hereby declare November 17, 2024, through November 23, 2024, as

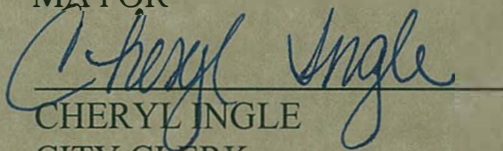
NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

In the City of Alton, Illinois and encourage local residents to learn more about professions that begin with being an apprentice and have the opportunity to become a licensed professional that in turn becomes a vital thread in the fabric of our wonderful city.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Alton, Illinois, to be affixed this 19th day of November, 2024.



DAVID GOINS
MAYOR



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CITY CLERK

