RESOLUTION 24-47

RESOLUTION OF RECOGNITION AND SUPPORT FOR

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

WHEREAS, National Apprenticeship Week is celebrating its 10th anniversary of raising awareness of the vital role Registered Apprenticeship plays as a proven and industry-driven training model and as a key strategy to improving job quality, and creating access to goodpaying, family-sustaining jobs for all, starting with youth and young adults; and

WHEREAS, Kaskaskia College - Community College District 501 recognizes the urgent need to prepare our students to address 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, and revitalizing manufacturing, while providing affordable education for these high-skill, high-demand occupations; and

WHEREAS, Registered Apprenticeship programs enable employers to develop and train their future workforce while offering career seeking students affordable pathways to high-paying, good, quality jobs; and

WHEREAS, Kaskaskia College - Community College District 501 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 and tribal communities, justice-involved individuals and individuals with disabilities, to become apprentices and contribute to America's industries; and

WHEREAS, Kaskaskia College - Community College District 501 recognizes the pivotal role educators, school counselors, and educational institutions serve in not only bringing awareness of Registered Apprenticeship opportunities to students and parents, but also serving as training providers, sponsors, and intermediaries.

NOW, THEREFORE be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of Kaskaskia College – Community College District 501, recognizes the value of Registered Apprenticeship as an effective earn-and-learn model for students, workers, and employers; and supports the partnership between industry, workforce development, and career and technical education during the 10th anniversary of National Apprenticeship Week: November 17, 2024, through November 23, 2024.

Dated this 28th day of October 2024.

Chair, Board of Trustees

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Secretary, Board of Trustees

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