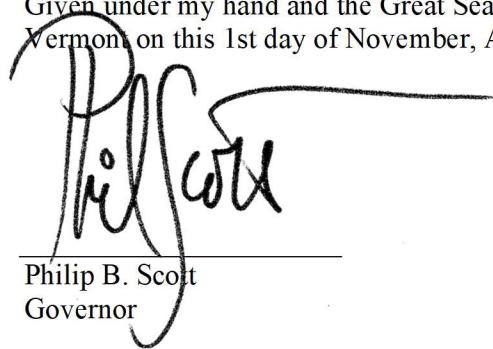


**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**


- WHEREAS,** Vermont’s employers, associations, educational institutions, and communities are celebrating the importance of apprenticeships during the week of November 17-23 and;
- WHEREAS,** Vermont recognizes Apprenticeship Week as an annual event celebrating the benefits of apprenticeships as a pathway to career advancement, personal growth, and professional development; and
- WHEREAS,** the advancement and well-being of Vermont depends upon its ability to expand opportunities in its workforce that are inclusive of individuals who have been historically underserved, marginalized, and adversely affected by persistent poverty and inequality in their chosen fields; 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,** Registered Apprenticeship programs are uniquely able to meet the changing demands of the Vermont economy and provide a path for all qualified individuals, including women and gender-expansive individuals, youth, people of color, rural communities, justice-involved individuals, and individuals with disabilities, to become apprentices and contribute to America’s industries; and
- WHEREAS,** Vermont proudly boasts a thriving community of approximately 1,844 apprentices who contribute significantly to the state’s economy, workforce, and community development; and
- WHEREAS,** Vermont actively supports initiatives that widen the opportunities for individuals to embark on rewarding apprenticeship pathways, understanding these programs enrich both individuals and the broader community.
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim November 17-23, 2024 as

APPRENTICESHIP WEEK
in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont, on this 1st day of November, A.D. 2024.


Philip B. Scott
Governor




Brittney L. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs