



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, this year marks the 99th anniversary of the enactment of the Smith-Hughes National Vocational Education Act of 1917; and

WHEREAS, Idaho's apprenticeship programs offer workers an opportunity to receive paid, on-the-job training while pursuing their education; and

WHEREAS, approximately 984 Idahoans now are involved in apprenticeship programs, acquiring job skills in industries such as advanced manufacturing, construction, energy and healthcare; and

WHEREAS, more than 400 new apprentices are registered in Idaho each year; and

WHEREAS, apprenticeships result in an Industry Recognized National Credential; and

WHEREAS, graduates of apprenticeship programs make significant contributions to Idaho's economy; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho apprenticeship system is a unique partnership between industry, education and government which enhances the career opportunities for thousands of Idahoans; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho Department of Labor encourages those responsible for training to provide equal opportunities for all qualified individuals to acquire skills without regard to race, creed, sex, age or physical handicaps, thus increasing the job opportunities, earning ability and economic security of the individual worker; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Governor recognizes the importance of apprenticeship training and the further development of apprenticeship training that would benefit employees, employers and the state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C. L. "Butch" Otter, Governor of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the week of November 14-18, 2016, to be

IDAHO APPRENTICESHIP WEEK



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 14th day of November, in the year of our Lord two thousand and sixteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-first and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-seventh.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

LAWRENCE DENNEY
SECRETARY OF STATE