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National Apprenticeship Week

Registered apprenticeships have an integral role in offering pathways to good jobs for a diverse workforce as California continues work to build a stronger, fairer and more prosperous economy.

Apprenticeships combine on-the-job training with classroom instruction, an effective way for employers to develop talent and for participants to find meaningful careers. In California, there are over 1,350 apprenticeship programs in a wide array of industries such as health care, financial services, green energy, information technology, aerospace, construction, logistics and advanced manufacturing.

Apprenticeships offer career pathways to Californians from many backgrounds, including people of color, women, veterans, people with disabilities and high school students, contributing to a stronger and more inclusive economy. These men and women are caring for patients in hospitals, building infrastructure like airports and the high-speed rail and protecting communities from wildfires, among other contributions.

This week, we recognize the important work of registered apprentices, employers, apprenticeship program sponsors and leaders from California educational institutions, business and labor in providing and promoting career opportunities across a variety of trades and industries. Together, California is building a skilled, inclusive workforce for the jobs of the future and creating pathways for economic mobility across the state.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gavin Newsom", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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