

WHEREAS: The Federal Apprenticeship Act was approved by Congress on August

16, 1937 and celebrates its 82<sup>nd</sup> anniversary, and the Florida Apprenticeship Council was created by an Act of the Florida State

Legislature in 1947 and celebrates its 72<sup>nd</sup> anniversary; and

WHEREAS: Local construction apprenticeship programs consist of electrician,

telecommunications technician, plumber, pipe fitter, heating-ventilating & air conditioning installer-servicer, sheet metal worker, boilermaker, ironworker, sprinklerfitter, operating engineer, carpenter, millwright and

heat & frost insulator; and

WHEREAS: Employers, as outstanding corporate citizens, sponsor registered

apprenticeship programs; and

**WHEREAS:** Successful completion of these programs certifies that these graduates

represent the most highly skilled and qualified craftsman for building the

future of Florida's First Coast and beyond; and

WHEREAS: Graduating apprentices have completed 4,800 to 10,000 hours of on-

the-job training under the supervision of qualified journeymen and three to five years of classroom instruction in local employer-owned, state-of-

the-art facilities; and

**WHEREAS:** "Training for the Future" is the theme of the 70<sup>th</sup> annual graduation

recognizing the accomplishments of 77 graduates.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY,** by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim May 31, 2019 as

## **APPRENTICESHIP DAY**

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to acknowledge the critically important role apprenticeship training has in the economic vitality of our city.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 21st day of May in the year Two Thousand 19

**MAYOR**