

**Proclamation**  
**“Workforce Awareness Month”**  
**September 2020**

**Whereas**, September is Workforce Awareness Month and calls attention to the fact that the Workforce and Business Center has served nearly 13,500 residents resulting in over 25 million dollars in wages impacting the local economy; and

**Whereas**, in Adams County, business is booming with the county projected to grow employment 165% higher than the rest of the country over the next five years, and our economy has made us a magnet for employers and one of the best performing states in the nation; and

**Whereas**, with the average number of unemployed persons during the time period at 8,800, nearly 7,900 participants were employed within six months of utilizing program services; and

**Whereas**, apprenticeships, internships, and experiential learning are proven strategies to close the skills gap, build self-esteem, and develop an alternative pathway to a rewarding career; and

**Whereas**, the careers of tomorrow require a job-driven approach to ensure that a talent pipeline of qualified workers is in place; and

**Whereas**, when workers, students, educators, workforce professionals, and employers are united in addressing the challenges that lay ahead, and no one is shut out or left behind, Adams County can become the best county in Colorado to gain employment; and

**Whereas**, Adams County residents are encouraged to celebrate the diversity of our workforce and commit ourselves to ensuring that Colorado workplaces are inclusive to all qualified workers; and

**Whereas**, the Adams County Workforce Development Board is aligned with educators, businesses, and economic developers to enhance regional workforce development, expand apprenticeships, encourage more inclusive hiring, and promote the state’s competitive advantage.

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved That**, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Adams, State of Colorado, proclaims the month of September 2020 as

**“Workforce Awareness Month”**

*In witness whereof, we have set our hands and caused the seal of the county to be affixed September 1, 2020.*