

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 15-05**  
**RESOLUTION In Support Of Registered Apprenticeship as a**  
**Workforce Development Strategy for the Alaska Workforce Investment System**

WHEREAS, the Alaska Workforce Investment Board (AWIB) is an industry-driven public organization comprised of representatives from business and industry, education, organized labor, and government; and

WHEREAS, the (AWIB) is a public organization that is accountable through its members and staff to the residents, the Legislature and the Governor of Alaska;

WHEREAS, the AWIB shall act as the lead state planning and coordinating entity for state human resource programs involving employment training, vocational education, and workforce development;

WHEREAS, the public workforce system is playing a leadership role in meeting the demands of the 21st century economy by catalyzing the implementation of innovative talent development and lifelong learning strategies that will enable Alaskan workers to advance their skills and remain competitive in the global economy; and registered apprenticeship, a critical postsecondary vocational education, training and employment option available in every state in the country, is an important component of these talent development strategies;

WHEREAS, more than 1,200 Alaskan employers hire registered apprentices today and offer training in Alaska for more than 180 technical occupations;

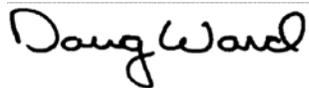
WHEREAS, the President of the United States has established November 2nd through 8th as National Apprenticeship Week;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the AWIB officially continues to support the use of registered apprenticeship by the workforce investment system as an effective approach to building a skilled and competitive workforce in regional economies and increasing Alaska hire.

**CERTIFICATION**

The Alaska Workforce Investment Board held a meeting duly and regularly called, noticed, and convened this 30th day of October, 2015 and the foregoing Resolution was adopted unanimously at said meeting.

Signed this 30th day of October, 2015.



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Doug Ward, Chair  
Alaska Workforce Investment Board