



RON DESANTIS
GOVERNOR

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT MONTH IN FLORIDA

WHEREAS, Florida has a bold vision for a brighter future and is committed to taking its economy and workforce to new heights; and

WHEREAS, workforce development is more important than ever as the workplace is continuing to evolve in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and Florida remains a state where businesses are encouraged to grow and meaningful jobs are created; and

WHEREAS, Florida continues to prioritize policies that promote economic growth, including lowering taxes, eliminating unnecessary regulation, and investing in education and the environment; and

WHEREAS, Florida is taking steps to diversify its economy and strengthen its workforce by establishing a plan to invest in skills-based education and make Florida number 1 in workforce education by 2030 so companies can continue to draw from an outstanding pool of talent in the Sunshine State; and

WHEREAS, Florida has gained back 572,200 jobs, almost half of the 1,178,100 jobs lost from February to April 2020, reflecting the continued effects of COVID-19 and the state's efforts to reopen businesses and services; and

WHEREAS, Workforce Development Month in Florida is a time to show appreciation for all the workforce professionals, agencies, and organizations who have helped thousands of Floridians find gainful employment and modified their ability to provide services during a global health and economic crisis and are setting the stage for our economy's heightened success.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron DeSantis, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing September 2020, as *Workforce Development Month in Florida*.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 1st day of September, in the year two thousand twenty.



Governor