**Sample Proclamation**

**Office of the [Governor/Mayor] [State/City]**

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**WHEREAS:** February 1-28, 2025, has been designated Career and Technical Education (CTE) Month® by the Association for Career and Technical Education; and

**WHEREAS:** CTE offers students the opportunity to gain the academic, technical and employability skills necessary for true career readiness; and

**WHEREAS:** students in CTE programs participate in authentic, meaningful experiences that improve the quality of their education and increase their engagement and achievement; and

**WHEREAS:** CTE provides students with career exploration opportunities early in their educational experience, which enables them to make informed and beneficial decisions about their academic coursework and pursue established programs of study and career pathways; and

**WHEREAS:** leaders from business and industry nationwide report increasing challenges related to addressing the skills gap and connecting qualified professionals with careers in critical and growing CTE-related fields, such as advanced manufacturing, cybersecurity, energy, health care, information technology, and transportation; and

**WHEREAS:** CTE prepares students for these and other fulfilling careers by offering integrated programs of study that link secondary and postsecondary education and lead to the attainment of industry-recognized credentials; and

**WHEREAS:** CTE programs ensure that employers have access to a qualified and thriving workforce, ensuring our nation is a strong and competitive economy;

**NOW THEREFORE, I,** (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_) of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 name title town/county

do hereby proclaim February 1-28, 2025, as

**CTE Month**

in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and urge all citizens to become familiar with the services and benefits offered by the CTE programs in this community and to support and participate in these programs to enhance their individual skills and productivity.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the (City/County) of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2025.