



RICK SCOTT
GOVERNOR

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT MONTH

WHEREAS, meaningful employment is fundamental to Floridians living their dreams; and

WHEREAS, the people of Florida are the state's greatest asset and are vital to our ability to expand economic opportunities and establish the Sunshine State as the number one place to find a job; and

WHEREAS, Florida's workforce system including CareerSource Florida, Enterprise Florida, the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, 24 regional workforce boards, and nearly 100 career centers, are committed to providing exemplary career training and employment assistance to more than 1.2 million individuals and more than 124,300 employers annually; and

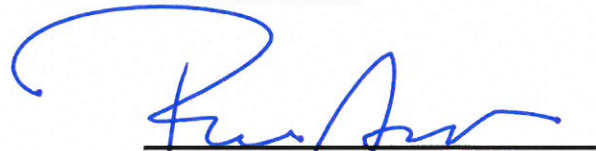
WHEREAS, Florida families continue to thrive and are back to work which is evident in the numbers: Florida's unemployment rate has dropped more than five percentage points since December 2010, to 5.4 percent as of July 2015, Florida has added more than 917,000 private sector jobs that have contributed to a positive annual job growth rate higher than the nation and most large states, and job demand remains near records levels with more than 273,000 job openings monthly; and

WHEREAS, Governor Scott, his administration, and the dedicated professionals within the state workforce system remain firmly committed to joining employers with qualified, skilled talent and Floridians with employment and career development opportunities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing September 2015, as *Workforce Development Month*.



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 third day of September, in the year two thousand fifteen.



Governor