

PROCLAMATION HONORING THE NATIONAL JOINT APPRENTICESHIP AND TRAINING COMMITTEE'S NATIONAL TRAINING INSTITUTE

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JULY 8, 2009

WHEREAS, the National Joint Apprenticeship & Training Committee (NJATC) for the Electrical Industry was created more than 68 years ago, and has developed into what is perhaps the largest apprenticeship and training program of its kind; and

WHEREAS, programs affiliated with the NJATC have trained more than 350,000 apprentices to journeyman status without cost to the taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, this joint program between the National Electrical Contractors Association and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers has clearly demonstrated to be one of the most cost-effective ways to train qualified craft workers; and

WHEREAS, the NJATC celebrates an important milestone as 2009 marks the 20th Anniversary of its National Training Institute; and

WHEREAS, the NJATC holds its National Training Institute, August 1–August 7, 2009, for the first time in Ann Arbor, Michigan on the campus of the University of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the National Training Institute will bring an estimated 2,000 participants to Washtenaw County in 2009; and

WHEREAS, the economic impact to Washtenaw County during the National Training Institute is estimated at nearly than \$5,000,000.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim the period of August 1–August 7, 2009 as National Training Institute Week in Washtenaw County, Michigan, and call upon the people of Washtenaw County to observe this week with appropriate programs, activities and ceremonies supporting this year's 20th year of Training Excellence.