## The State of Washington



## Proclamation

*WHEREAS*, founded in 1913, the International Association of Workforce Professionals (IAWP) is a nonprofit association serving the needs of professionals working in public and private workforce development across the state, nation, and world; and

*WHEREAS*, IAWP is the oldest and most widely-recognized organization for workforce professionals, and 2018 is the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the Washington State Chapter; and

*WHEREAS*, the Washington State Chapter has made member education and professional development its number one priority; and

*WHEREAS*, Washington's more than 100 IAWP members are employed in both the public and non-profit sectors, providing employment services, unemployment insurance benefits, labor market information, training, communications, and/or other services related to the workforce needs of Washington State; and

**WHEREAS**, the state of Washington, the Employment Security Department, and our partners across the workforce system believe improving employees' skills and supporting opportunities to do so is vital to our state's goal to promote a prosperous economy;

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Jay Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim May 13-19, 2018, as

## International Association of Workforce Professionals (IAWP) Week

in Washington, and I encourage all people in our state to join me in honoring all professionals working in public and private workforce development across the state and recognizing the vital role they play in our state's vibrant economy.

Signed this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2018

Governor Jay Inslee