

Resolution to Support the myFutureNC Attainment Goal

WHEREAS, the myFutureNC Commission (the Commission) was chartered to involve the leaders of the education business, philanthropy, faith-based and non-profit communities from across North Carolina in developing an educational goal for our state; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has concluded that North Carolina should have as a goal that 2 million North Carolinians will have a high-quality post-secondary degree or credential by 2030 (up from 1.3 million today); and

WHEREAS, Mountain Area Workforce Development Board is committed to helping employers in our Local Area meet their workforce needs while helping job seekers and youth find a rewarding career pathway; and

WHEREAS, the Local Area served by the Mountain Area Workforce Development Board has maintained the lowest unemployment rate in North Carolina for 49 consecutive months; and

WHEREAS, employers in the Local Area served by the Mountain Area Workforce Development Board have over 10,000 job openings currently and many of these jobs require some type of education and training beyond a high school diploma; and

WHEREAS, most jobs in the Local Area served by the Mountain Area Workforce Development Board that pay a family sustaining wage require some type of education and training beyond a high school diploma; and

WHEREAS, employers in advanced manufacturing, healthcare, hospitality, technology, skilled trades, and other sectors in the Mountain Area Workforce region depend on a highly skilled workforce; and increasing post-secondary credential attainment will help employers meet their talent needs..

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Mountain Area Workforce Development Board as follows:

1. That the Mountain Area Workforce Development Board strongly supports the myFutureNC Commission post-secondary credential attainment goal that 2 million North Carolinians will have a high quality degree or postsecondary credential by 2030.
2. That this Board will continue to foster partnerships across our Local Area's education continuum and with leaders in business, philanthropy and government to achieve the goal.
3. That this Board will work with employers, educators, government, non-profits and workforce partners to increase the number of high-quality post-secondary credentials awarded in the Local Area to help meet the statewide myFutureNC attainment goal.
4. That this resolution shall be effective upon its adoption.

Adopted this the 28th day of May, 2019.



Terry Collins, Chairman
Mountain Area Workforce Development Board