Resolution to Support the myFutureNC Attainment Goal

WHEREAS, the myFutureNC Commission (the Commission) was chartered to involve the leaders of 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, Northeastern Workforce Development Board (NWDB) 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, 46% of the residents within the NWDB Local Area possesses a High School Diploma or less; and

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

WHEREAS, employers in healthcare, advanced manufacturing, business support services (information technology, logistics, and administrative support), agriscience/biotechnology, and other sectors in the NWDB 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 NORTHEASTERN WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD as follows:

1. That the NWDB strongly supports the myFutureNC Commission post-secondary credential attainment goal that 2 million North Carolinians will have a high-quality degree or post-secondary credential by 2030.
2. That this Board will continue to foster partnerships across our Local Area’s education continuum, 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 17th day of September, 2019.

Gerald Z. Bray, Chairman
Northeastern Workforce Development Board