



## Ohio Attainment Goal

**WHEREAS**, 64 percent of Ohio jobs in 2020 will require a postsecondary workforce certificate or degree; and

**WHEREAS**, 56 percent of Ohio's "in-demand" occupations currently require a certificate or degree; and

**WHEREAS**, to produce the number of highly skilled workers with postsecondary credentials required to meet the needs of our state's employers, Ohio will need to produce an estimated 1.2 million more adults with postsecondary certificates or degrees by 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, 3.7 million Ohioans age 25-64 do not have a post-secondary credential; and

**WHEREAS**, credentials that benefit students and build a robust workforce may be in the form of certificates, industry licenses or certifications, associate degrees, baccalaureate degrees, and advanced degrees; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Governor's Executive Workforce Board champions the pursuit of a statewide goal to have at least 65 percent of Ohioans, age 25-64 years old, hold a degree, certificate, or other postsecondary workforce credential of value in the workplace by 2025; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the pursuit of this goal seeks to meet the needs of Ohio's in-demand occupations and increase attainment to close demographic disparities; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Governor's Executive Workforce Board encourages collaboration among the Ohio Department of Higher Education, Ohio Department of Education, Office of Workforce Transformation, Ohio's secondary and post-secondary institutions, and local community partnerships for attainment to pursue this goal.

On this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March 2017, the Governor's Executive Workforce Board supports the Ohio Attainment Goal.

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