WHEREAS, Careers in Construction Month is an annual month designated to increase public awareness and appreciation of construction craft professionals and the entire construction workforce;

WHEREAS, during this month, employers, associations and schools are encouraged to conduct job fairs, panel discussions, and local community events to inform students of the vast employment opportunities in construction;

**WHEREAS**, the construction industry is one of our nation's largest industries, employing more than 5 million individuals in the U.S.;

**WHEREAS**, the construction industry needs 1.5 million new craft professionals by 2021;

**WHEREAS**, we are pleased to honor the construction craft professional and the critical role they play in the development of our state of Florida;

**WHEREAS**, NCCER was created by the construction industry to standardize training and enhance the industry image by promoting the hard work and dedication of our nation's craft professionals;

**WHEREAS**, the mission of NCCER's Build Your Future initiative is to narrow the skills gap by guiding America's youth and displaced workers into opportunities that lead to long-term rewarding careers in construction

**WHEREAS**, the goal of the Build Your Future initiative is to shift the public's negative perception about careers in the construction industry and provide a path for individuals to become craft professionals, and

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, (Governor), Governor of the State of \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby proclaim October, 2018, as

in the State of and I urge all citizens to join me in this special observance.	
State Seal	
Signature	
Governor of ()	