

STATE OF OKLAHOMA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, perioperative nurses specialize in the care of patients immediately before, during, and after surgical and other invasive procedures; and

Whereas, perioperative nurses serve in settings ranging from traditional hospital-based operating rooms to ambulatory surgery centers and physicians' offices, and strive to provide the best care possible; and

Whereas, perioperative nurses assess individual patient needs prior to surgery, formulate a plan for their care, and prepare the operating room and patient for the procedure; and

Whereas, perioperative nurses are responsible for monitoring all aspects of the patient's condition for the duration of each procedure and, through professional and patient-centered expertise, are responsible for care coordination after the procedure; and

Whereas, patients and their loved ones rely on the skills, knowledge, and expertise of perioperative registered nurses, who uphold a long tradition of improving surgical safety and the quality of care; and

Whereas, Perioperative Nurses Week recognizes the contributions perioperative registered nurses make to patient safety and the opportunities and challenges facing the profession;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim the week of November 9th through November 15th, 2014 as

"Perioperative Nurse Week"

in the state of Oklahoma.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 24th day of October, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and fourteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and sixth year.

Chris Berger
SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

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