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STATE OF OKLAHOMA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, more than one hundred million operations and procedures are performed annually with anesthesia; and

Whereas, physician anesthesiologists, who play a vital role before, during, and after surgery, make patient safety their top priority; and

Whereas, these highly trained and uniquely qualified medical professionals are instrumental in providing patients quality care through their use of safe techniques and expertise thereby minimizing risks; and

Whereas, when emergencies or complications occur unexpectedly and seconds count, physician anesthesiologists draw on their extensive medical education and years of clinical training to make critical decisions that save lives; and

Whereas, physician anesthesiologists are committed to safe, high quality patient care and they strive to ensure the best possible outcome by educating patients, which can reduce the risk of complications and improve the speed of recover after surgery; and

Whereas, the establishment of Physician Anesthesiologists Week provides an opportunity to commend physician anesthesiologists for their dedicated service;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor, do hereby proclaim January 31 through February 6, 2016, as

"Physician Anesthesiologists 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 14th *day of* January *in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and* sixteen, *and of the State of Oklahoma in the* one hundred and eighth year.

ATTEST:

Chris Benge
SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR

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