



Proclamation

Presented

In Recognition of Perioperative Nurse Week

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, working to provide the safest care possible; and

WHEREAS, Perioperative Nurses assess individual patient needs prior to and throughout the surgical or invasive experience, develop a plan for the care of the patient, and prepare the operating room and patient for their 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, Perioperative Nurses uphold a long tradition of improving surgical safety and the quality of patient care; patients undergoing surgery and their loved ones rely on the skills knowledge and expertise of perioperative registered nurses;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim November 11-15, 2013, as

"PERIOPERATIVE NURSE WEEK"

in Hawai'i and encourage the people of the Aloha State to recognize the substantial and skilled contribution of perioperative nurses to patient welfare throughout the surgical process.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-second day of October 2013.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i