



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### NURSE ANESTHETISTS WEEK

WHEREAS: Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs) are essential to America's health care system, providing high-quality, cost-effective anesthesia care for nearly 150 years; and

WHEREAS: CRNAs are anesthesia specialists who are the hands-on providers of the approximately 32 million anesthetics administered annually to patients in our nation. Over 900 CRNAs practice in Georgia; and

WHEREAS: CRNAs are the sole anesthesia providers in more than two-thirds of all rural hospitals, affording these medical facilities obstetrical, surgical, and trauma stabilization capabilities; and

WHEREAS: Anesthetists play a crucial role in providing quality health care to Georgians as they deliver anesthesia in a variety of healthcare settings ranging from urban to rural and large to small; and

WHEREAS: We are grateful to these individuals for their outstanding contributions to the field of medicine, and we are proud to recognize their continued commitment to excellence in health care delivery; now

THEREFORE: I, Nathan Deal, Governor of the state of Georgia, do hereby proclaim January 26-30, 2015, as NURSE ANESTHETISTS WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand fifteen.



*Nathan Deal*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*Chris W. Riley*

CHIEF OF STAFF