



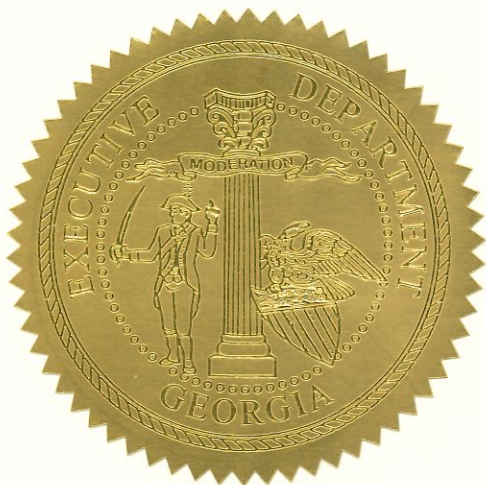
BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### NURSE PRACTITIONER WEEK

- WHEREAS:** Nurse Practitioners (NPs) serve as trusted providers of health care for patients in Georgia working to expand health care access in underserved communities and end health disparities; and
- WHEREAS:** The confidence that patients have in NP-delivered health care is evidenced by the more than one billion annual patient visits to NPs across the country and by the patients that depend on the hundreds of thousands of licensed NPs in the United States; and
- WHEREAS:** NPs are highly skilled practitioners with advanced education and clinical training, providing high-quality primary, acute, and specialty health care services while emphasizing health promotion, disease prevention, health education, and counseling; and
- WHEREAS:** More than five decades of research demonstrates the high quality of care provided by NPs with better utilization of NPs through modernized policies improving health by providing a more accessible, efficient, cost-effective, and higher quality health system; and
- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia is proud to recognize and honor the service of NPs to our state as well as the countless contributions NPs have made over the past half century and will continue to make on behalf of the health and well-being of the citizens of our state; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim November 12-18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 as NURSE PRACTITIONER WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.



*B. Kemp*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*M. Kipatnick*

CHIEF OF STAFF