

## BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## **A PROCLAMATION**

## NURSE PRACTITIONER WEEK

WHEREAS:	Nurse practitioners have served a critical role as trusted health care providers for decades, working to expand health care access in communities across our state, promote healthcare access and improve health outcomes for all; and
WHEREAS:	Nurse Practitioners are highly skilled practitioners who deliver high quality primary, acute and specialty health care services while emphasizing health promotion, disease prevention, and health education; and
WHEREAS:	The confidence that patients have in NP-delivered health care is evidenced by the more than 1 billion visits made annually to NPs across the country and by the patients that depend on the hundreds of thousands of licensed NPs in the United States and over 18,000 in Georgia to diagnose, manage, and treat their chronic and acute health care conditions; and
WHEREAS:	Further utilization of Nurse Practitioners creates better health through a more accessible, efficient, cost-effective, and higher-quality health care system; and
WHEREAS:	Numerous governmental and policy entities, including the National Academy of Medicine, National Council of State Boards of Nursing, National Governors Association and Federal Trade Commission, have taken notice of the benefits of providing patients with access to Nurse Practitioner delivered care; and
WHEREAS:	The State of Georgia is proud to recognize and honor the service of NPs to our state and recognize 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 citizens in our state; now
THEREFORE:	I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim November 10-16, 2024, 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 October in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.



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