State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, perioperative nurses specialize in the care of patients immediately before, during,

and after surgical and other invasive procedures; and

WHEREAS, serving in settings ranging from traditional hospital-based operating rooms to

ambulatory surgery centers and physicians' offices, perioperative nurses work to provide the safest care possible for patients undergoing surgical and other invasive

procedures; and

WHEREAS, perioperative nurses assess individual patient needs prior to and throughout the

surgical or invasive experience; develop, implement, and continuously evaluate 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, patients undergoing surgery and other invasive procedures rely on the skills,

knowledge, and expertise of perioperative registered nurses, who uphold a long

tradition of improving surgical safety and the quality of patient care; and

WHEREAS, Perioperative Nurse Week recognizes the contributions perioperative registered

nurses make to patient safety and the opportunities and challenges facing the

profession.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim November 10-16, 2024 as

PERIOPERATIVE NURSES WEEK

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Wermon, on this 9th day of November, A.D. 2024.

Philip B. Scot Governor

Brittney **W**ilson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs