2024 National Nurse Practitioner Week Proclamation

Whereas, nurse practitioners (NPs) have served a critical role as trusted health care providers for decades; and

Whereas, NPs work to expand health care access in communities across our state, promote health equity in care and improve health outcomes for all; and

Whereas, patients depend on the more than 385,000 licensed NPs in the United States to diagnose, manage and treat their chronic and acute health care conditions; and

Whereas, NPs provide high-quality primary, acute and specialty health care services while emphasizing health promotion, disease prevention, health education and counseling, partnering with patients to improve their health; 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

Whereas, more than five decades of research demonstrates the high quality of care provided by NPs; and

Whereas, better utilization of NPs through modernized state laws and improved policies creates better health through a more accessible, efficient, cost-effective and higher-quality health care system; and

Whereas, more than half the nation — including 27 states, the District of Columbia, Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands — has adopted Full Practice Authority legislation, offering patients full and direct access to the outstanding care provided by NPs; and

Whereas, leading 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 full and direct access to NP-delivered care; and

Whereas , NPs serve as the provider of chealth and welfare of our communities;	·	and play a pivotal role in the
Whereas,	is proud to recogniz	te and honor the service of NPs to our state;
Be It Resolved, therefore, that INovember 10-16, 2024, as		hereby declare
Nation	nal Nurse Practition	ier Week
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in recognition of the countless contributions and behalf of the health and well-be		past half century and will continue to
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