



## *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, perioperative nurses specialize in the care of patients immediately before, during, and after surgical and other invasive procedures; and

**WHEREAS**, perioperative nurses work to provide the safest care possible for patients undergoing surgical and other invasive procedures in settings ranging from traditional hospital-based operating rooms to ambulatory surgery centers and physicians' offices; and

**WHEREAS**, perioperative nurses assess individual patient needs, 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, with their professional and patient-centered expertise, are responsible for monitoring all aspects of the patient's condition for the duration of each procedure and are responsible for care coordination after the procedure; and

**WHEREAS**, patients undergoing surgery and other invasive procedures, and their loved ones 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 Nurses Week recognizes the contributions perioperative registered nurses make to patient safety and the opportunities and challenges facing the profession;

**THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, DOUGLAS S. CHIN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim November 11 - 17, 2018 as**

## **"PERIOPERATIVE NURSES WEEK"**

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in celebrating and honoring perioperative nurses for their important role and commitment to safe patient care.

Done at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twelfth day of October 2018.

DAVID Y. IGE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

DOUGLAS S. CHIN  
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i