State of North Carolina

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INTERNATIONAL CENTRAL SERVICE WEEK

2019

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, central service technicians are responsible for processing surgical instruments, supplies, and equipment; and

WHEREAS, serving in settings ranging from hospitals to ambulatory surgical centers, central service technicians provide support to patient care services; and

WHEREAS, central service department tasks include decontaminating, cleaning, processing, assembling, sterilizing, storing, and distributing the medical devices and supplies needed for patient care; and

WHEREAS, the Central Service Department of a health care facility is the heart of all activity surrounding instruments, supplies, and equipment required for operating rooms, endoscopy suites, intensive care units, birth centers, and other patient care areas; and

WHEREAS, central service technicians play an important role in patient care arenas, and are responsible for first-line processes to prevent patient infections; and

WHEREAS, International Central Service Week recognizes the contribution central service technicians make to patient safety, and the opportunities and challenges of the profession;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 13 – 19, 2019, as “INTERNATIONAL CENTRAL SERVICE WEEK” in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this ninth day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand and nineteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-fourth.