



Ted Strickland

Governor of said State

hereby officially recognizes

PERIOPERATIVE NURSE WEEK

NOVEMBER 8-14, 2009

Surgery today is highly technical, sophisticated and exacting; and the perioperative registered nurse is highly skilled in providing nursing care and managing the perioperative environment and that the surgical patient needs expert care for his or her mind, body, and spirit; and

the surgical patient and family are experiencing a major event in their lives and that the perioperative registered nurse is an expert in allaying the patient's fears, preparing the patient for what will happen during surgery, providing family support, and discussing how the patient will feel during the entire surgical experience; and

perioperative registered nurses have a long tradition of working toward patient safety and improving the quality of patient care and that surgical patients rely on the skill, knowledge, and expertise of perioperative registered nurses.

THEREFORE, I, TED STRICKLAND, Governor of Ohio, Recognize **NOVEMBER 8-14, 2009** as **PERIOPERATIVE NURSE WEEK**, dedicated to recognizing perioperative registered nurses in Ohio who care for patients before, during and after surgery.

On this 8th day of November 2009

Ted Strickland
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Governor