

# State of Iowa

## Executive Department

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

### 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 sterile supply department technicians provide support to patient care services; and
- WHEREAS,** central sterile supply department tasks include decontaminating, cleaning, processing, assembling, sterilizing, storing and distributing the medical devices and supplies needed for patient care; and
- WHEREAS,** the central sterile supply department of a healthcare facility is the heart of all activity surrounding instruments, supplies and equipment required for operating rooms, endoscopy suites, ICU, birth centers and other patient care areas; and
- WHEREAS,** central service technicians play a most 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 facing the profession:

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Terry E. Branstad, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby proclaim October 11-17, 2015, as

### INTERNATIONAL CENTRAL SERVICE WEEK

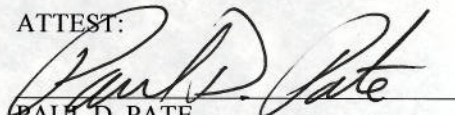
in Iowa.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HERE-  
UNTO SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND CAUSED  
THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF IOWA TO  
BE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES MOINES THIS 15th  
DAY OF SEPTEMBER IN THE YEAR OF OUR  
LORD TWO THOUSAND FIFTEEN.

  
TERRY E. BRANSTAD  
GOVERNOR OF IOWA

ATTEST:

  
PAUL D. PATE  
SECRETARY OF STATE