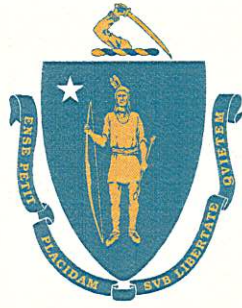


The Commonwealth of Massachusetts



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 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, Charles D. Baker, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do hereby proclaim October 14th to the 20th, 2018, to be,

INTERNATIONAL CENTRAL SERVICE WEEK

And urge all the citizens of the Commonwealth to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.

Given at the Executive Chamber in Boston, this fourteenth day of October, in the year two thousand and eighteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and forty-second.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY

Handwritten signature of Charles D. Baker in blue ink.

CHARLES D. BAKER
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH

Handwritten signature of Karyn E. Polito in blue ink.

KARYN E. POLITO
LT. GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH

Handwritten signature of William Francis Galvin in blue ink.

WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

God Save the Commonwealth of Massachusetts