

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania



Governor's Office

PROCLAMATION

INTERNATIONAL CENTRAL SERVICE WEEK October 8 - 14, 2017

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.

WHEREAS, International Central Service Week recognizes the contribution Central Service Technicians make to patient safety and the opportunities and challenges facing the profession;

THEREFORE, I, Tom Wolf, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim the week of October 8-14, 2017, as INTERNATIONAL CENTRAL SERVICE WEEK. I encourage all citizens to join me in recognizing these highly skilled and dedicated professionals.



GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, this twenty-fifth day of August, two thousand seventeen, the year of the commonwealth the two hundred forty-second.

Tom Wolf
TOM WOLF
Governor