

Proclamation

by Governor Earl Ray Tomblin

- 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, ICUs, 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 facing the profession.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Earl Ray Tomblin, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *October 11-17, 2015* as:

International Central Service Week

in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in this observance.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.

Done at the Capitol, City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the Twenty-Second day of September, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Fifteen, and in the One Hundred Fifty-Third year of the State.



Earl Ray Tomblin

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Governor

By the Governor:

Natalie E. Tennant

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Secretary of State