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During the difficult journey of surgical or other invasive procedures, perioperative nurses use their professional and patient-centered expertise to ensure the safety and well-being of our loved ones. In settings ranging from traditional hospital-based operating rooms to ambulatory surgery centers and physicians' offices, perioperative nurses provide specialized nursing care to patients before, during, and after surgery.

Perioperative registered nurses evaluate individual patient needs prior to and throughout the surgical or invasive event, create a plan for patient care, and prepare the operating room and patient for the procedure. Every day, the dedicated and skilled men and women of this field provide reassurance and invaluable care to patients and their families during frightening or difficult situations.

In November, a week is devoted to recognizing and educating Texans about the impact perioperative registered nurses have made in improving surgical safety and the quality of patient care in Texas. We thank them for their commitment and applaud them as an invaluable branch of our many devoted and skilled health care professionals across the Lone Star State.

Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim November 10-16, 2019, to be

Perioperative Nurse Week



in Texas, and urge the appropriate recognition whereof.

In official recognition whereof,
I hereby affix my signature this the
24th day of October, 2019.


Governor of Texas