

# Proclamation

CITY OF ORLANDO - OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

- WHEREAS,** Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs) are advanced practice registered nurses. Providing anesthesia care to patients in the United States for more than 150 years, CRNAs are among the nation’s most trusted professionals; and
- WHEREAS,** legislation passed by Congress in 1986 made nurse anesthetists/anesthesiologists the first nursing specialty to be accorded direct reimbursement rights by Medicare; and
- WHEREAS,** CRNAs are primary anesthesia providers in rural and underserved communities and continue to be the primary providers of anesthesia care to U.S. military personnel; and
- WHEREAS,** CRNAs practice in every setting in which anesthesia is delivered - from traditional hospital surgical suites and obstetrical delivery rooms to critical access hospitals; from ambulatory surgical centers to the offices of dentists, podiatrists, ophthalmologists, pain managements specialists and more; and
- WHEREAS,** CRNAs are qualified to make independent judgements regarding all aspects of anesthesia care based on their education, training and licensure; and
- WHEREAS,** CRNAs are trusted anesthesia experts, caring for patients safely and compassionately, delivering specialized, cost-effective care to all patients - from newborns to seniors - for every type of procedure in all types of facilities; and
- WHEREAS,** CRNAs’ experience in critical care nursing, in addition to anesthesia care, provides the training and education to address unique healthcare challenges of some of the sickest patients, including veterans; and
- WHEREAS,** January 21-27, 2024, has been designed as National CRNA Week and the City of Orlando is proud to join in this recognition and express our gratitude to our community’s CRNAs;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Buddy Dyer, Mayor of the City of Orlando;** do hereby proclaim January 21 - 27, 2024, as

**“CRNA Week”**

in the City of Orlando.

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Orlando to be affixed this 21st day of January, 2024.*



*Buddy Dyer*  
MAYOR