

- 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 and are among the nation's most trusted professions; caring for patients safely and compassionately, delivering specialized, cost-effective care to all patients and are qualified to make independent judgements regarding all aspects of anesthesia care based on their education, training, and licensure.
- 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 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
- WHEREAS, Legislation passed by Congress in 1986 made nurse anesthetists/anesthesiologists the first nursing specialty to be accorded direct reimbursement rights by Medicare; and: the period of January 21-27, 2024, has been designated as National CRNA Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA, do hereby proclaim January 21 - 27, 2024 to be:

## NATIONAL CRNA WEEK

**PRESENTED** this 30th day of January, 2024.

Mike Moran, *Chair* 

Sarasota County District 1 Commissioner

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Sarasota County District 4 Commissioner

Mark Smith

Sarasota County District 2 Commissioner

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Sarasota County District 3 Commissioner

Ron Cutsinger

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