CITY OF WESTON Proclamation

National Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist Week

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 the primary anesthesia providers in rural 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 management specialists, and more; and

WHEREAS, CRNAs' experience in critical care nursing in addition to anesthesia care, provides the training and education to address the unique healthcare challenges of some of our sickest patients, including veterans; and

WHEREAS, The period of January 21-27, 2024, has been designated as National CRNA Week.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Margaret Brown, as Mayor, and on behalf of Commissioner Byron L. Jaffe, Commissioner Mary Molina-Macfie, Commissioner Chris Eddy, and Commissioner Henry Mead do hereby proclaim the week of January 21 - 27, 2024 as 'National Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists Week' in the City of Weston.

Mayor Margaret Brown

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