PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, since 2000, National CRNA Week has been an annual celebration honoring nearly 59,000 Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs) who provide essential anesthesia care to patients across the United States, including in rural communities, U.S. military settings, and diverse healthcare environments both domestically and abroad; and

WHEREAS, CRNAs are advanced practice registered nurses that have been providing anesthesia to patients in the United States for more than 150 years. They are recognized for their independent judgment and expertise in delivering safe, effective, and compassionate anesthesia care in settings ranging from hospital surgical suites to ambulatory centers, pain management clinics dental offices, and Veterans Hospitals; and

WHEREAS, studies have shown no significant differences in patient outcomes or anesthesiarelated complications when anesthesia is provided by CRNAs, anesthesiologists, or CRNAs supervised by anesthesiologists, reaffirming CRNAs' integral role in anesthesia care; and

WHEREAS, CRNAs are the primary anesthesia providers in nearly 700 rural hospitals and deliver anesthesia care that is 25% more cost-effective than other models, ensuring access to critical services such as obstetrics, surgery, trauma care, and pain management, particularly in underserved areas; and

WHEREAS, since 1986, CRNAs have been recognized as Medicare Part B providers, underscoring their essential role in the healthcare system and highlighting their expertise in meeting the needs of complex patients, including veterans; and

WHEREAS, January 19-25, 2025, has been designated as National CRNA Week to honor the significant contributions of CRNAs in improving patient safety, healthcare quality, and access to care across the country.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jason Leslie, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, do hereby proclaim January 19-25, 2025, as

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in the City of Ormond Beach and encourage all residents to join in recognizing the dedication and service of CRNAs in promoting patient safety, improving healthcare outcomes, and delivering cost-effective, compassionate care.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Ormond Beach, to be affixed this 19th day of January in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Five.

Mayor

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